

RACKET BOSSES GYPPING JOBLESS OF INSURANCE: PAINTERS OPEN FIGHT

Millions Stolen Each
Year by Employers,
Evidence Shows

By Art Shields

The Daily Worker finds that racketeering employers are cheating thousands of unemployed workers out of benefit payments due them under the terms of the unemployment insurance law of New York State.

This racket is part of a bigger racket connected with the workmen's compensation insurance system.

Millions of dollars are stolen by these racketeering employers annually, our evidence indicates. The evidence makes it pretty certain that prosecutors will have an open and shut case against the crooks.

Prison sentences up to three years await these crooks if maximum penalties are imposed.

Building trades workers are the worst sufferers from the twin insurance rackets. I have talked to many eligible, unemployed mechanics, who were denied insurance benefits during this dull winter season, when they needed the money most.

DENIED BENEFITS

Unemployment benefit payments began last month. They were based on the worker's employment during the January-September period of last year. During this length of time the worker must have earned at least 18 times the week unemployment benefit. In the case of most building trades workers this is 18 times \$15 or a total of \$270.

Few building trades workers earned less than \$270. I can direct any investigator to hundreds of unemployed mechanics, who will submit records, showing that they earned from \$300 to more than \$1,200 in the January-September period of 1937. And these men will show yellow slips from the State Bureau of Insurance Control, saying that they are NOT eligible to unemployment benefits.

The "NOT" is in capital letters on the yellow slips.

TO BEAT THE RACKET
Any investigator can find these yellow slip holders by the score at the offices of District Council No. 9 of the International Brotherhood of Painters at 253 West 28th St.

This progressive building trades organization has set aside a special room to file the complaints of defrauded unemployed. A special committee is compiling their payroll records in the necessary legal form and helping them fight for redress at state insurance headquarters.

"We shall beat this insurance fraud racket as thoroughly as we beat the 'Kick Back' racket last year," said Secretary-Treasurer Louis Weinstein to this reporter.

"It runs into millions, but the union will beat it."

Who is responsible for these frauds?

Not primarily the state. State insurance authorities say their records simply do not show that the work-

BARE SOCIAL INSURANCE FRAUD

Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators & Paperhangers
OF AMERICA
DISTRICT COUNCIL NO. 9 OF NEW YORK CITY
OFFICE: 253 WEST 28TH STREET, NEW YORK 1, N. Y.
Phone MU 5-6400

STATE OF NEW YORK: ss: COUNTY OF NEW YORK: ss: I, Joseph Salvatore, 1st Nat. Trust Co., New York, New York, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the records of the District Council No. 9 of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators & Paperhangers of America, as shown to me by the Secretary of said Council, on the 6th day of February, 1938.

1. That we were employed as painters under agreement between the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators & Paperhangers of America, District Council No. 9, and the Bradlee Corporation, located at 34 West 41st Street, New York, New York, between January 1, 1937, and September 30, 1937.

2. That during this period the Bradlee Corporation paid each of us approximately the following total sums in wages, respectively:

Joseph Salvatore, \$1,170.00
Theodore J. Smith, \$1,170.00
Edward Kline, \$1,170.00
Ben Williams, \$112.00

3. That each of us has been unemployed for the period covered by law and was therefore eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.

4. That nevertheless the Bureau of Insurance Control of the New York State Department of Labor rejected our application for unemployment insurance on the ground that their records do not show that we earned eighteen times \$15.00 during the January to September period.

The Bureau has promised that an investigation will be made of same.

Joseph Salvatore
Theodore J. Smith
Edward Kline
Ben Williams

Witness my hand and seal of office this 6th day of February, 1938.

Joseph Salvatore
Secretary, District Council No. 9 of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators & Paperhangers of America, New York City.

This affidavit by four union painters is an important piece of evidence against the unemployment insurance racketeers, who hide their payrolls from the state insurance control bureau. Joseph Salvatore, whose name comes first, is shop steward and has the records, proving that each of the four workers earned three to four times the amount required to make them eligible for the unemployment insurance, which they were denied. The affidavit will be embarrassing to the Bradlee Corporation, which, it seems, failed to pay its full unemployment insurance contributions. This contracting firm, it will be recalled, was involved in the "Kick Back" racket last year and one of its officers, Hyman Lohman, went to prison.

Buffalo CIO Raps Stolberg For Articles

Union-Busting Efforts
Are Denounced
by Labor Council

(Special to the Daily Worker)
BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Joining the increasing numbers of CIO Industrial Councils that have gone on record against the poison-pen articles of Benjamin Stolberg, the Buffalo CIO central body passed a resolution at its last meeting condemning the Scripps-Howard series of articles as being anti-CIO.

Recognizing that Stolberg's red-baiting is only a cloak behind which he stands in the same company with Chrysler, Hearst, and Wells, the local CIO Industrial Council resolved to publicly denounce through the press the union-busting efforts of Stolberg and the cooperation given him by the supposedly liberal Buffalo Times.

Labor Conciliator Killed in Crash Of Army Plane

WARRENTON, Ga., Feb. 6 (UP).—C. L. Richardson, conciliator for the Federal Department of Labor, was killed near here early today when his parachute failed to open after he and army air corps pilot Maj. W. C. Goldsboro were forced to bail out of a fog-bound plane.

Goldsboro landed unharmed. He said he had flown in dense fog for 10 hours over the Carolinas and Georgia when the plane's fuel became exhausted.

Hudson Dragged For Flier's Body; Was Lost in Fog

WEST POINT, N. Y., Feb. 6 (UP).—A coast Guard boat tonight dragged the Hudson River in an attempt to find the body of a flier, believed to be Bud Fraser, Detroit, who crashed to death in a Stinson trimotor plane last night.

The 28-year-old flier, dealing in used airplanes, left Wayne, Mich., yesterday to deliver a plane to M. H. Wolfsohn, of New York. He planned to land at Newark, N. J., but at 7:30 P. M. radioed that he would land at Martin's Creek, Pa.

Phila. Council Threatens to Pass Sales Tax

March Is Called by
Labor and Fraternal
Groups Tomorrow

(Daily Worker Eastern Penna. Bureau)
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6.—After agreeing to withdraw the 2 per cent sales tax last week, 15 of the 22 members of City Council who originally voted for the measure again double-crossed their constituents.

They declared last night that they would pass the bill Tuesday, Feb. 8, over the Mayor's veto. For several days business leaders have been meeting with Council members in an attempt to find a substitute tax to balance the budget.

Albert Greenfield, head of the Businessmen's Committee, announced today that he hadn't completely abandoned hope that the Councilmen would listen to the voices of the largest mass public protest Philadelphia has ever staged to impose the reactionary Republican machine-controlled Council.

Labor, fraternal, consumer and political organizations are calling their memberships to again march on the Council Tuesday.

6 Dead When Train Hits Car In Arkansas

TRIXWOOD, Ark., Feb. 6 (UP).—Six persons were killed today when a northbound Missouri Pacific passenger train was derailed after striking an automobile on a grade crossing at Cunningham Spur three miles south of here.

As the engine, two baggage cars and one passenger coach piled up after striking the car, three members of the train crew and three Negro passengers were killed.

The dead were: Engineer John Thomas Brannon, 57; Peter Oruns, express messenger; L. J. Jackson, 56, Negro porter; three unidentified Negro passengers.

Doctors Report Cardozo Now Is Improving

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Physicians said today of Benjamin N. Cardozo, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, that "the Justice is now gaining strength and we are much encouraged with his present condition." This was the first time in approximately three weeks that his attendants have said anything of his condition other than that it was unchanged.

NAZIS TO TRY PASTOR TODAY FOR SEDITION

Reich Army Chiefs to
Testify for Niemoller
at Secret Trial

BERLIN, Feb. 6 (UP).—Several high army officers, perhaps including some of those ousted in Chancellor Adolf Hitler's military shakeup, were expected tonight to appear as witnesses for the Rev. Martin Niemoller when he stands secret trial tomorrow on charges of sedition.

The militant leader of the Confessional Synod of the Lutheran Church, who has been held in Moabit Prison since his arrest by Nazi secret police last July 1, will be tried in camera before an "emergency court" for "malicious attacks" on the Nazi state and party.

Because of the secrecy cloaking the long-awaited trial it was impossible to learn whether any of the ousted generals would testify in defense of the bitterly anti-Nazi pastor, whose congregations always are liberally sprinkled with the green uniforms of high army leaders.

Rev. Niemoller was arrested, as were more than 100 other confessional pastors, for publicly opposing efforts of Church Minister Hans Kerrl to "Nazify" the church in opposition to traditional Christianity as it is deeply rooted in the army hierarchy.

MORE OFFICERS AT END
Since the Pastor's arrest seven months ago there have been even more Army officers' uniforms at Sunday services in his Jesus Christus Church of Dahlembach Parish.

The Nazi press has not even announced that the trial will start tomorrow and probably will carry nothing until after the verdict is announced. Its members of the press will be admitted to the proceedings.

Confessional leaders, who frankly assert that they have no faith in the secret trial and that it will be "purely a case of persecution," are comparing Niemoller's case with Martin Luther's historic appearance at the Diet of Worms.

The Confessionals, who are opposed to the Nazi-inclined "German Christians" within the Protestant Church, are unable to publish their support of Niemoller because of press restrictions but it was learned that Niemoller, during his long imprisonment, has been permitted to type out a thorough defense brief.

DRAFTS HIS DEFENSE
The Pastor charges that his imprisonment has been prolonged to prevent him from returning to his preaching against the government's

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N. M. U. Leader, 3 Others Held In Jersey City

(Special to the Daily Worker)
JERSEY CITY, Feb. 6.—Patrick Whalen, National Maritime Union representative for Baltimore, Md., was arrested here today and held on \$3,000 bail on an alleged charge of carrying concealed weapons.

Whalen was driving through "I Am The Law" Hague's territory accompanied by three men, Ben Field, Charles Hanson and Jesse Bopke, when the car was stopped, and all four were arrested. The three others were also held on the same charge.

To Foreclose Mortgage At Wesleyan College

MACON, Ga., Feb. 6.—Wesleyan College, one of the oldest schools for women in the country, will be sold on March 1 under a mortgage foreclosure on bonds, but operations of the million-dollar institution will not be disturbed, officials said.

Drowns With 3 Children In Pond Rescue Attempt

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Feb. 6.—Three little children and a man who tried to rescue them crashed through soft ice and were drowned today in Social Pond, a mill pond in the center of the city. Another man who went to their aid also was pulled out by companions.

The three youngsters walked approximately 275 feet across the pond and were within twenty-five feet of shore when the ice, softened by a thaw, broke under them.

Drafts Demands



PHILIP MURRAY

SWOC DRAFTS NEW PACT FOR BIG STEEL

Murray Confers With
Carnegie-Illinois
Head Today

By Carl Reynolds
(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 6.—Backed by a united membership of more than 500,000, the Steel Workers Organizing Committee will buckle down tomorrow to the final phase of drafting a new contract with the giant United States Steel Corporation.

A negotiating committee, headed by Philip Murray, chairman of the S.W.O.C., will confer with executives of the steel trust in New York. It was indicated here. The contract will become effective March 1.

The setting for the negotiations are different today than when the precedent-breaking one-year agreement was signed on March 1, last year by U. S. Steel.

THOUSANDS JOBLESS

More than a quarter of the nation's steel workers have been laid off and the industry is operating at about 33 per cent of capacity. Nevertheless, the CIO union members have shown their strength in the steel centers of the nation. After the progressive, united convention of the S.W.O.C. on December 15, the union undertook a one-month display of strength in towns dominated by giant steel mills.

More than 10 meetings have been held in Western Pennsylvania to explain to the workers the aid that the S.W.O.C. is giving the unemployed and to rally members behind the union.

Crowds of workers overflowed halls in Homestead, Monaca, Alliquippa, Ambridge and Pittsburgh reaffirming their support of the union.

The present contract expires Feb. 28, although preliminary negotiations between the steel barons and the union have been clouded in secrecy. It is felt that CIO will ask mainly for a renewal of their record-breaking wage scale in one contract of last year.

THE CONTRACT

1. Boosted minimum pay for labor from \$4.20 a day to \$5.00 with time and one-half for overtime.
 2. Reduced hours from 48 to 40 a week.
 3. Set up a paid vacation for employees with five years' service or more.
 4. Secured a written stipulation of seniority rights.
 5. Established a grievance committee set up for the workers.
- It was widely rumored in steel circles here that U. S. Steel, which sets the standard for the entire industry, had accepted a renewal of the wage clauses of the contract. Seniority rights and the grievance committee clause were in dispute, these reports held. The union is seeking to obtain a more equitable and just apparatus for the settlement of disputes.

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HULL ASKS WORLD POWERS TO JOIN U. S. IN EFFORTS FOR PEACE, PROSPERITY

Report Mussolini Urged Shift in Nazi Ambassadorial Staffs

Hassel, Present Ambassador to Rome, Under Fire
for Lack of Enthusiasm for Berlin-Rome-Tokio
'Axis'—Other Shifts in Diplomatic Posts

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy was reported here tonight to have requested appointment of Minister Without Portfolio Hans Frank, veteran of Adolf Hitler's abortive "beer cellar" putsch of 1923, as Ambassador to Rome to replace Baron Ulrich von Hassel.

Hassel, the United Press reported, had been under fire for insufficient enthusiasm for the Rome-Berlin axis, now the keystone of German and Italian foreign policy.

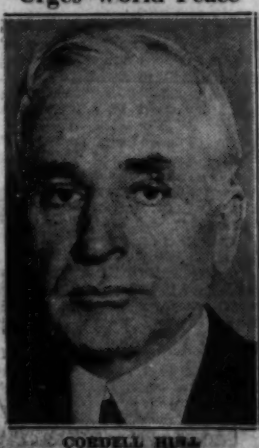
Mussolini's request, coupled with Hitler's message to Mussolini last night, promising to use his increased power to buttress the Rome-Berlin alliance, focused attention of many foreign diplomats during the present diplomatic and military shake-up upon Frank, who coined the famous threat that "heads will roll" after Hitler came to power.

The Rome appointment is closely linked to the choice of an Ambassador to Austria, where Franz von Papen was yanked out, reportedly for failing to Nazify Austria over the head of Austrian Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg.

A report said that Hermann Krel-

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Urges World Peace



CORDELL HULL

470 Leading American Citizens Sign Protest On Barcelona Bombings

Leaders of Religion, Art, Education and Film
World Send Petition to President Over
Recent Massacre by Fascists

More than 470 leaders in religion, art, education and motion pictures joined yesterday in sending an appeal to President Roosevelt, asking him to protest in behalf of American public opinion against the brutality of the widespread Fascist bombings of civilians in Spain such as recently took more

Tokio Drive Into Canton Now Feared

Heavy Troop Landings,
Warship Movements
Reported in Drive

SHANGHAI, Monday, Feb. 7 (UP).—Fear spread throughout South China today that Japan's long-awaited drive on Canton was under way, as Japanese marines began to land on an island off Tongkang, near the mouth of the Pearl River, under cover of artillery fire from Japanese warships.

Other reports indicated the Japanese were beginning heavy troop movements southward to a base at Formosa and possibly to isolated points along the South China Coast. Chinese authorities officially confirmed that at least 100 Japanese marines had been landed near Tongkang, which lies near the estuary leading up to Canton from the China Sea. Five warships lined up offshore and laid down a barrage to cover the landing.

Chinese military authorities feared the Japanese intended to establish a base, probably on the mainland, from which they could strike at Canton overland and by air, as well as by naval attacks from the Pearl River.

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Tokio Naval Chiefs Balk At U.S. Note

May Reply on Big Ship
Program Before Feb. 20,
Big Navy Race Seen

TOKIO, Monday, Feb. 7 (UP).—Japanese naval officials were understood today to have decided to reject the request of three maritime powers—the United States, Great Britain and France—that she divulge whether she is building super-dreadnaughts above the Naval treaty limits.

The rejection of the American, British and French requests for information is expected to be couched in conciliatory terms, however.

It was indicated the reply might include some naval information tending to calm the three powers.

TO REPLY BEFORE FEB. 20

It was understood the Japanese reply will be made before Feb. 20, the deadline set in the notes from London, Washington and Paris. The action of the three governments was undertaken simultaneously and along parallel lines, but was not a joint request.

The deadline was specified for the purpose of obtaining an answer—or a refusal to answer—in time for the three powers to prepare their annual naval budgets. It was plainly indicated that if Japan admits she is building capital ships—7,000 tons, or refuses to say that she is not building such ships, it will be a signal for heavier ship construction by the other maritime powers.

Soviet Steamer Halted by Rebel Pirate Ships

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Feb. 6.—The Soviet steamer Mentshinsky, bound with a cargo for Plymouth, England, from Theodosia, was halted Thursday at 3 P. M. in the Straits of Gibraltar by pirate ships flying the Spanish rebel flag and taken under convoy to Ceuta, it was announced here today.

After examining the ship's documents and its cargo, the fascists found nothing compromising and released the ship.

Governor, Mayor May Be Called In Libel Trial

Governor Lehman and Mayor LaGuardia may be called by the defense witnesses in the trial of Robert Edward Edmondson, anti-Semitic pamphleteer, scheduled to begin in General Sessions Court this morning.

Edmondson is charged with publishing libelous statements against Secretary of Labor Perkins, Dean Virginia Gilderleeve of Barnard College and the Jewish religion.

A nearby resident, Herbert Brieau, rushed from his home, tied a rope about his waist and gingerly inched out on the mushy ice toward the spot where the four had disappeared.

The ice gave way under him and companions on shore who were holding the rope pulled him out. Police recovered the bodies.

Hirota Defends Germany, Italy As War Allies Before Diet Group

Minister Says Fascist Allies Aid Tokio, to Recognize Conquests

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
TOKIO, Feb. 6.—Foreign Minister Koki Hirota, who signed the three-part pact between Nazi Germany, fascist Italy and Japan, has stoutly defended before the parliamentary budget commission the friendliness of Japan's two allies in her war against China, according to newspaper reports.

"Germany intends to recognize Manchukuo," Hirota declared hotly during a session of the budget commission at which Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye, War Minister Gen. Sugiyama and Hirota were all piled with numerous questions regarding Japan's policy in China.

Recognition of Manchukuo, Japan's puppet "state" carved out of North China five years before the present invasion, is being held off by Germany until a change in the present diplomatic relations with China is decided, Hirota affirmed.

"Taking this into consideration," Hirota announced, "the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would prefer Germany to recognize Manchukuo as soon as possible."

This will be granted, Hirota indicated, with determination of the final composition of Japan's puppet regimes in North and Central China.

FASCISTS AIDING JAPAN
Hirota declared that both Germany and Italy, linked closely in European politics, are both strictly controlling shipments of munitions to China.

He denied that German shipments showed any willingness to help China, and asserted Italy was actively suppressing "arms smuggling" to China.

Previously the three key Cabinet ministers told the budget commission the four points for a "peace treaty" between Japan and the newly established "Chinese government."

1. Rejection of the Chinese Central Government's pro-Communist, anti-Japanese and anti-Manchukuo policy, collaboration with Japan and Manchuria in their anti-Communist policy.

2. Establishment of demilitarized zones in various parts of China, with special regimes ruling these districts.

3. Conclusion of an economic agreement between Japan, Manchukuo and China, that is, the puppet government.

4. The puppet regime to foot all expenses for the Japanese war in China by payment of reparations.

Until these conditions are fulfilled, the Japanese minister said, Japanese garrisons will be maintained in China. The cost of these garrison troops will be borne by the new "Chinese government."

USSR Cotton Crop Largest In All Europe

Collective Farm System Makes Output Third in World

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Feb. 6.—The sweeping collective-farm system of cotton-growing in the Soviet Union has raised the Socialist country to first place in Europe in point of cotton output.

Through the world, it is preceded only by the United States and India. By Jan. 25, deliveries to Soviet government purchasing bodies of the record 1937 cotton crop already totaled 2,477,387 tons, an advance of 84,569 tons over last year.

In addition to the regular cotton districts of Soviet Central Asia, cotton is being grown today on collective-farms in southern districts of the Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic and the Soviet Ukraine.

Phila. C. P. Wins Right To Hold Lenin Rally

Tory Protests Against Use of Convention Hall for Lenin Meeting Defeated in Court, More Than 20,000 Expected in Giant Rally

By PAT TOOHEY
(District Organizer Eastern Pennsylvania District C. P.)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6.—After many weeks of battling in court, the Communist Party won its suit to force the Board of Managers of the Municipal Auditorium to rent the Municipal Auditorium to the Communist Party for the use of the auditorium for the Lenin Memorial meeting. This is an outstanding victory for the workers of Philadelphia.

Since the court upheld the claims of the Party, and guaranteed the use of the hall to us, every reactionary organization and person in Philadelphia has been protesting the Court's decision and making efforts to have it vacated.

The Daughters of the American Revolution have protested to Mayor Wilson, various reactionary big business elements have registered protests with the city, the Anti-Communism Society is making a big howl. Only yesterday, Mrs. William Linsbach, a member of the Board of Education, had the Philadelphia Federation of Women's Clubs adopt a resolution in protest.

Clearly, the victory of the Party in obtaining Convention Hall is creating a furious rage in all reactionary circles in the city. Despite this, the Party Bureau is confident that the Lenin Memorial Meeting

Japan Attacks Against 8th Route Army Fail

Attempts to Crush Guerrilla Tactics Prove Boomerang, Tokio on Complete Defensive, Suffer Big Losses in Battles

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
HANKOW, Feb. 6.—The "Second Japanese War" in North Shansi, designed to crush the hardy guerrilla units of the Eighth Route Army and the armed population, has boomeranged against the Nippon troops, reports from Chinese headquarters today said.

Tokio Soldiers Make Torches Of Villagers

Barbarism Shows Decline of Tokio Army, Paper Says; Defeat Inevitable

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
HANKOW, Feb. 6.—The path of the Japanese invaders across the "good earth" of China is marked by devastation, looting, raping and massacre.

The newspaper Ta Kung Pao today printed a special article citing numerous examples of the unspeakable brutality and fiendishness with which the Japanese armies are waging war upon the people of China.

The Ta Kung Pao notes in opening that Japanese officers encourage the troops under their command to pillage and rape "to keep up the spirits" of soldiers who do not know what they are fighting for.

One of the most frightful incidents cited in the article took place in a little village near the town of Suancheng, in eastern Anhwei province.

The area for 20 miles around Suancheng was emptied of booty by the Japanese.

In one village they herded the entire population—men, women, old people, children—into one building, poured kerosene over them and set fire to the building.

The screams and yells of the human torches as the flames ate their bodies could be heard for almost a mile around, the Ta Kung Pao writer reports.

Wherever the Japanese have passed, the naked bodies of women who have been raped and killed are found floating in the canals and rivers.

Mass rapings are reported from Shansi and Hopei provinces, where the guerrilla warfare of the Chinese troops is most intensive.

Whenever the village population attempts to defend their fellows, they are slaughtered down to the last man.

"We consider that such deep corruption in the military discipline of our enemies is proof of their decline and makes their defeat inevitable," writes the Ta Kung Pao.

"The time has come when the mighty anger of the whole Chinese people must burst forth, when we must strain every muscle in the defense of our country."

Atheist Publication To Resume in USSR

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Feb. 6.—The newspaper Bezbozhnik, organ of the League of Militant Atheists, will resume publication by decision of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. It was announced today.

The editor will be M. Yaroslavsky. Draft statutes of the League drawn up by the plenum of the League's central council, which ended Friday, will be discussed among the membership.

Will Hold China Aid Rallies in Brooklyn

The American League for Peace and Democracy branches in Brooklyn will hold a China Aid Rally and mass meeting at Menorah Temple, 5000 14th Ave., Wednesday at 8:30 P.M.

Outstanding speakers will discuss the significance of the events in China. Rabbi Harry Halpern will speak on the impact of war terror against the Chinese people as it affects the religious community.

Alexander F. Miller of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Brooklyn Section, will discuss the war in the Far East as it affects the Negro people; William E. Dodd, Jr., son of the recent American Ambassador to Germany, will outline the national China Aid Campaign of the League of which he is chairman; Samuel Newburger, prominent Brooklyn attorney, will discuss the campaign to be conducted by the Brooklyn division of the League.

JAM THE MEETING

The District Bureau calls upon all comrades, all workers, all progressive people in Philadelphia, to answer the reactionary barrage by intensively mobilizing now to pack Convention Hall to the doors. The Board of Trustees of Convention Hall in an obvious effort to make impossible a gigantic meeting, has ruled that no admission tickets may be sold at the door. Consequently, all tickets must be sold in advance. All seats are reserved.

The whole Party and movement must demonstrate the most effective activity to sell 15,000 tickets in advance. The District Bureau calls upon the entire Party, and every single member and sympathizer, to energetically push the sale of tickets, popularize the meeting and assist in organizing Philadelphia's most historic demonstration.

Streamlined Speed in U.S.S.R.



Photo shows new Soviet streamlined train "Joseph Stalin" as it sped out of the Voroshilovgrad Locomotive Works on its trial run. Train achieved a speed of approximately 100 miles an hour on this run.

USSR Arctic Scientists Collect Data While Adrift

Trudge Through Heavy Storm Making Observations Begun Last May at North Pole, Rescue Ship Racing to Scene

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Feb. 6.—Trudging about in a pea-soup fog through which heavy snowflakes keep falling, four Soviet scientists drifting on an ice floe in the Greenland Sea are continuing their scientific observations begun last May at the North Pole, their starting point.

Ivan Papanin, chief of the expedition, radioed Moscow his latest position after a day and a half of interruption of wireless communications by a magnetic storm.

They are now at 74 degrees 3 minutes of North Latitude, 16 degrees 30 minutes East Longitude, northwest of Norwegian island group of Jan Mayen Land.

The nearest of the rescue ships to Papanin's camp, the little hydrographic ship Murnanets, reported that it was being held up by ice-clogged seas and was picking a course ahead only with difficulty, particularly at night.

The Murnanets is now heading due northwest from Jan Mayen Land towards Greenland. At midnight yesterday, its position was 70 degrees 38 minutes North Latitude and 8 degrees 20 minutes West Longitude.

RESCUE SHIP PROGRESSING

The icebreaker Taimyr, which is racing through choppy seas towards the region of icefloes, reported it was making steady progress to Jan Mayen Land.

Heavy seas repeatedly broke over the ship's bow, while a westerly squall shook the ship heavily. The Taimyr also reported snowfall.

Meanwhile in Leningrad repair work is going ahead full speed on the powerful icebreaker Yermak, which it is believed can shear through the ice-bound seas if the Murnanets and the Taimyr fail to reach the Papanin camp.

Two airplanes were being given final tests at the Moscow central aerodrome before Hero of the Soviet Union Ivan T. Spirin takes off for an unannounced destination in the vicinity of the explorers' camp. The tests are being carried out by Vladimir Kokkinaki, famous Soviet record-holder.

A feature of the Spirin expedition was a 110-pound portable electric power station, which if need be can be dropped upon the ice by parachute.

1 Killed, 1 Hurt in Fire

MONTREAL, Feb. 6 (UP)—Edwin Troughton, 27, was killed and his brother, Howard, 22, suffered critical burns early today in a fire that destroyed a downtown apartment house.

French Kids Hall U. S. Envoy



Waving French and American flags, school children of Pont-a-Mousson cheered American Ambassador William C. Bullitt (indicated in photo by arrow) as he inspected reconstructed fountain in city square which is dedicated to American Ambulance Corps. Later envoy was honored by University of Nancy with doctorate degree.

Spanish People's Support of Army Will Bring More Teruels, Says USSR Expert

French Popular Front Group Lauds Cardenas

Passes Resolution Applauding Mexico Aid to Spain, Calls Upon Cardenas to Strengthen World Democratic Front, Hails Toledano

(Special to the Daily Worker)
MEXICO CITY, Feb. 6.—Expressions of greatest sympathy and congratulations for his "courageous actions in behalf of democracy, manifested in the spirit of social justice which clearly inspires his labor and agrarian policies and his efforts in behalf of the liberation of women," were received here yesterday by Mexico's President, Lazaro Cardenas, from the "Society of Friends of the Popular Front," in Paris.

After hearing Rene Marchand, their delegate who had recently returned from Mexico, report on the political, economic and social situation in this country, the Friends of the Popular Front passed a resolution addressed to Lazaro Cardenas in which they stated:

"Because your loyal and far-reaching attitude regarding the problems of Spain before the League of Nations coincides exactly with the ideals of the French masses who unreservedly and with greatest enthusiasm approve and applaud the aid you have given within the scope of International Rights to Republican Spain, whose destinies are closely linked to the future of French democracy as well as to the territorial integrity of France, and taking into consideration the important possibilities of cooperation that exist between France and Mexico, we call upon our government to follow the line of conduct also described, to increase and strengthen its collaboration for a plan of effective consolidation of the world democratic front against the international fascist bloc, and to take well into account the young Mexican Republic, strongly rallied around her President to trade union and peasant organizations, ideologically supported by the National Revolutionary Party and constituting a strong barrier that puts a halt to the forces of world reaction in Latin-America."

The organization of the Friends of the Popular Front also gave a vote of sympathy and confidence to Vicente Lombardo Toledano, general secretary of the C.T.M. (Mexican Confederation of Workers) who is conducting the struggle against fascism with intelligence, worthy of the approval of the Popular Front of the world.

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Five of the most prominent members of the Action Group, the CROM's leading body, have signed this statement. It was apparently provoked by the personal interference of President Cardenas in the recent CROM-C.T.M. conflict of Cocolapan, after eight C.T.M. members had been killed by CROM people.

Since the C.T.M. came into being two years ago, the CROM has been fighting for its independence for Mexican workers flocked to ranks of the new organization until today about 80 per cent of the workers of Mexico are organized in the C.T.M. If this public repudiation of Morones by responsible CROM leaders is not just political maneuvering as remains to be seen by future actions of the CROM, it will mean a tremendous step forward towards the complete unification of Mexican labor.

Not less than 4,000 delegates from all parts of the Republic are expected to participate in the First General Congress of the C.T.M. (Mexican Confederation of Workers), which will be held here from Feb. 21 to Feb. 25. The Congress will concern itself with national as well as with international problems and will elect a new National Executive Committee.

Witness Tells Power of China Guerrilla War

German Correspondent Says Tokio Is Hanging on with Difficulty

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
SHANGHAI, Feb. 6.—An eyewitness account of the effectiveness of the Chinese guerrilla warfare in the regions occupied by the Japanese militarists in North China was given here today by Herr Just, former Moscow correspondent of the German daily Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung.

The Japanese are hanging on in most districts of North China with difficulty, Herr Just asserted. They only hold thin strips along the railways and the main highways, and even that hold is precarious.

"They do not have sufficient troops to garrison these life-lines strongly enough to prevent continuous partisan attacks."

Herr Just reported that on many occasions small groups of Japanese soldiers holding railway stations have fled without resisting as soon as a Chinese partisan band opened attack.

MANHATTAN—American Friends of the Chinese People, 168 W. 23 St.; Chinese Hand Laundry Alliance, 191 Canal St.; Hon. Young Restaurant, 87 Broadway.

BRONX—Bamboo Chinese-American Restaurant, 683 E. Tremont Ave.; American League for Peace and Democracy headquarters, 677 Grady Ave.

BROOKLYN—A. L. P. D. headquarters, 85 Claire St.; Ardill Sweet Shop, Sutter Ave. and Bradford St.; House of Knowledge, Brighton and Beach 3 St.; Parkway Chinese Restaurant, Eastern Parkway and Nostrand Ave.

French S. P. Leader Presses Unity Talks

Zyromski Pleads for Resumption of Negotiations with Communists in Fight on Fascism—Stresses Alliance with Catholics

(Special to the Daily Worker)
PARIS, Feb. 6.—Jean Zyromski, member of the Socialist Party Executive Committee, pleads for working-class unity in an article in the Socialist Party organ, Le Populaire, entitled, "negotiations for unity must be resumed."

Zyromski was the sole member of the executive who opposed the decision to suspend activities of the Socialist-Communist Unification Commission.

"No one," he writes, "can deny the gravity of the situation at the start of 1938. The advance of fascism in the world is startling."

"Salvation lies in unity of the democracies, solidarity between the non-fascist nations; if they persist in their indecisiveness, their interminable waverings, then the scourge will spread."

"Besides, unity of the democracies can only come about if the labor movement is itself united enough to act as a force of persuasion, and it will only be this if it achieves real unity itself. Everything depends on this."

"That is why political unity of the French working class—the

Whole People of World Back Republicans, Grigoryev Declares

By V. Grigoryev
The following article was printed by the Soviet newspaper Red Star, organ of the Red Army.

The Spanish people have the most ardent sympathy and support from the working people of the entire world in their historically responsible task.

The civil war in Spain was drawn out by the intervention of the fascist powers, which grew month after month. From the very first day the Spanish people had to fight a war against German and Italian fascism.

Since the onset of the Spanish war, Nazi Germany has sent to Spain 400 tanks and 700 artillery pieces, and not less than 20,000 troops. This does not include the troops and equipment on the Canary Islands and in Spanish Morocco.

During the same period, fascist Italy sent to Spain not less than 150,000 troops, 600 airplanes, 300 tanks and more than 800 artillery pieces, not counting troops and equipment on the Balearic Islands.

The expeditionary forces of the fascist invaders effected the principal military successes in the Spanish rebels, being the real rulers of the occupied districts, act independently of General Franco and receive instructions directly from Berlin and Rome.

It is quite clear that if there had been no military intervention by the fascist states, the Spanish people long ago would have cleared their country of the fascist bandits of General Franco.

The brilliant victory of the Republican troops at Teruel is the concluding stage of a year and a half of war.

"NON-INTERVENTION" ASSAILED
Thanks to the "non-intervention" policy and the direct aid to the rebels and interventionists by some "democratic" powers, the territory of Republican Spain is hemmed in by close-fisted blockade.

The heroic and strenuous work of the Spanish proletariat has already led to the organization of a powerful war industry in Spain. Not only have the old munitions plants been re-established, but new and important new and highly important branches of war production have been organized.

Despite the general difficulties resulting from extended war, the economic position of the country has made marked improvement. The system of organized food distribution has enabled establishment of the correct planned supply to the population.

The sharp contrast to rebel territory, where the interventionists and rebels are able to hold their positions only with the help of the bayonets of the foreign interventionist troops.

The People's Army of the Republic is growing and becoming stronger. Today this army has its own trained staff of commanders. The introduction of political commissars into the army is playing an important part in organization of the army and giving it political education.

The army of the Spanish people is a correctly-organized, strong force. The troops have achieved higher military ability to maneuver; the military staffs have been developed and are now able to cope with the most complicated problems of battle.

The Republican soldiers (infantry, aviation and tank corps, artillery, and universal troops) displayed great heroism and devotion to their people on the battlefield.

That is the guarantee of their future victories. The importance of the Teruel victory lies not only in the fact that the threat to the Republicans has been wiped out, but also in the pushing of the fascist front back and the smashing of the big offensive planned by the fascists in the Guadalajara sector.

TERUEL TURNING POINT
This victory demonstrated the strength and power of the Republican Army, proved that it is able to smash completely the forces of the interventionists and rebels.

Inspired by the victory, the Spanish people are still stronger in the knowledge of their power and might.

The Teruel operations may become, therefore, the turning point in the whole course of the war.

The task facing the Spanish people today is that of further strengthening their armies, of training new commanders and commissars.

The achievement of new victories will also depend upon the further development of their own war industry. The Republican people will put up a still more stubborn fight against their enemies in the rear, will pursue their ranks of the Trotskyists and other counter-revolutionary elements.

The successes achieved in the struggle of the Spanish people reflect much credit upon the Communist Party of Spain, which has been tirelessly fighting for the creation of a regular army, the center piece is the organizing and cementing force at the battlefronts and in the domestic life of the country.

After a year and a half of war, the heroic Spanish people are still as full as ever of revolutionary enthusiasm, and are ready for new victories. They have all the prerequisites for clearing their country of the fascist horde.

ON THE RAILROADS



THAT CANTON ROUNDHOUSE

"CHANCE" ever puts you in Alliance, Ohio, I recommend that you take a traction ride.

Go to the little public square and board a Stark electric car for Canton.

It will not be a picturesque trip. The scenery is flat and uninviting. Then, the still-surviving spillovers in the smoking section of the car defy all the known laws of sanitation.

There are other things about that trip that make it worth while. Nearing Canton you will see the Stark County jail, where Charles Ruthenberg spent considerable time because of his opposition to war and his devotion to the working people. A little beyond the jail, you will pass the Canton public park in which Eugene Victor Debs made the speech for peace which sent him to Atlanta.

These spots mark historic milestones in the progress of the American working class. In a peculiar manner, Debs belongs to the railroad men. It was he—when national secretary of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers—who raised the cry of unity among the railroaders. It is a slogan that stands good, with particular force, at the present hour.

As if to remind us of this, we find in the same general neighborhood as the park and jail the roundhouse of the Pennsylvania Railroad. As I passed it by last week, it was as silent as a dyed-in-the-wool New Englander.

It was silent because several hundred shop crafts workers have been tossed out into the streets in Canton and vicinity. That roundhouse is a symbol of what is transpiring on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

It is a symbol of what is taking place in Altoona. The big shops there are prostrate, with 1,500 more men laid off. It is a symbol of Columbus. When I arrived there a few days later, I found at least 1,000 shop crafts workers had been given the gate by the same Pennsylvania.

A Weeping Company Unionist

THE shop crafts workers on the Pennsylvania are getting it in the neck, to put it mildly.

An old argument is being used with them. If the rate steal goes through, says the Pennsylvania officialdom in effect, then we may put you back to work. "Support the rate steal, in other words—and maybe, sometime, somewhere, you will be re-employed."

Well, that's too much like the cat playing with the mouse. The shopmen on the Pennsylvania have learned by now some very bitter lessons.

Since 1922, they have been the victims of one of the worst of company unions—now regaling itself under the name of "Brotherhood of Railroad Shopcrafts of America."

This Pennsylvania catnap has done nothing, of course, for the benefit of the men. Its history is one long train of espionage, browbeating and deceit.

It is doing nothing for the men now—in this artificially induced "recession"—and can do nothing for them.

Is it not natural, then, that the legitimate shop unions of the American Federation of Labor are making headway at last among these men? Last fall the regular shop unions began an organizational drive on the Pennsylvania. President George Harrison of the Railway Clerks (and chairman of the Railroad Labor Executives Association) brought the campaign to its height with an eloquent speech at Altoona. (You may read it in "Labor" of Nov. 9, 1937.)

The agents of the Pennsylvania were not slow in answering. "The Railroad Shopmen," alleged organ of this company union, asked the question: "What have Pennsylvania shopmen to gain by affiliation with the A. F. of L.?"

Well, Harrison answered that in large part. But the best answer of all comes from one T. H. Davis, so-called president of the Pennsylvania unit of the Brotherhood of Railway Shop Crafts.

This Davis proves to be a weeping company unionist. He admits that nothing can be done by the "organization" which he represents.

CONFESIONS

IN MY trip from Alliance to Canton, I found Mr. Davis' sorrowful confession.

It was lying on a seat in the traction car, in the form of a leaflet reprinting his remarks at the recent "convention" in New York of the company unionists.

No more incoherent utterance has been made for a long time. The Davis brain must function slowly and painfully.

One thing only was clear, out of all his babbling: Davis does not know what to do. He says so himself. Let us quote:

"So I do not know what to do. I do not know how to present this. We say we're a national organization, but when I look at the picture, when the President is fighting you, what can you expect in return?"

The Davis brain has thereby tried to produce a great alibi. He has sought to put the bankruptcy of the company union at the door of President Roosevelt.

But immediately, he weeps on in the following startling manner: "The President of the United States, in my opinion, has done more for union labor than any man that ever lived. He has met our requirements but he has met the rank and file of America, and he knows it, and the President has built himself up in prestige glorified in the days to come for what he has done for the people."

There you have a real confession, if you want one. And Davis, in his stupidity, now puts the "blame" for the troubles in the company union where it belongs—at the door of the CIO. Listen to this gem: "But by his I see this picture rolling out and that flashes to Washington and they capitalize on it to the extent that it is just more poison that they are spreading abroad. They are flooding this country with organizers and with the CIO to the extent that it's mighty hard on our part to combat."

ENDING COMPANY UNIONISM

THESE tolls and troubles of railroad company unionism, of which Davis so freely complains, are quite real. The Labor Research Association in its "Railroad Notes" has underscored this fact. Railroad company unionism is taking something of a licking.

It can be licked still more. During the past few weeks I have talked to scores of men who are members of the Pennsylvania company union. They wear the buttons of this "organization." They are one and all disgusted with Davis and with the whole set-up. In a word, they want real unionism.

They can be strengthened in this desire, if the standard Brotherhoods show more signs of unity in action. They can be overwhelmed by the banner of the legitimate unions, if the rail union chiefs will make a more decided fight against unemployment.

In his speech at Altoona, Harrison promised such a fight and showed that the company union could never make it.

"We are making our contribution to that problem [of unemployment and lay-offs]," Harrison declared. "And I anticipate that before long we will see a universal shortening of the work week so there will be a job available for every man and woman who wants to work for a living."

What does this "anticipation" mean in real life? Does it not mean wholehearted support of the Wages and Hours Bill for labor in general?

Does it not mean an intense and widespread campaign for the Crossover Six-Hour Bill for the railroad workers?

If the rail union chiefs will take up the cudgels against lay-offs in the same way that the CIO did in its Atlantic City conference, the Railroad Brotherhood will make tremendous headway against the company unions.

In addition, they will begin to end the tragic silence of the round houses which dot the Pennsylvania system.

HACKER RAPS GREEN'S SPLIT IN PITTSBURGH

Hotel Union Leader Is Responsible for Big Union Growth

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 6.—Carl Hacker, depoted from the presidency of a union of 5,000 because of "communism," yesterday publicly defended his actions as a Communist and charged that William Green had signified that he intended to launch a general purge of Communists in the A. F. of L.

Hacker, head of Local 237, Hotel and Restaurant Employees Alliance, spoke to more than 500 persons at the Community Forum last Monday night. For ten days previously he had been the target of a campaign of red-baiting by an opposition slate in his union and the reactionary Pittsburgh Press and Post-Gazette.

He was depoted last Friday as an election was to have been held. Fred E. Rasser of Cincinnati, seventh vice-president of the International, came into town, burned the ballots, and declared all offices vacant. Later he placed John Bookjans, leader of the faction opposing Hacker, in charge of the union.

"Two weeks prior to last Friday, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette conspired with the Hotel Owners Association and certain labor leaders to 'get' Carl Hacker," the former president charged.

LASHES GREEN'S SPLITTING

He said that they were aware if an election would go through, the Progressive slate, headed by Hacker would win by at least 80 per cent.

Hacker lashed out again against the dictation of Bill Green, whom he termed a splitter when he spoke at the Lenin Memorial meeting two weeks ago.

"The dictation methods of Bill Green will wreck the union," he charged.

Hacker said in a telegram to the union, Green had indicated he was embarking on a witch-hunting campaign throughout the entire A. F. of L.

Hacker showed how during the period of his leadership the union was built from 400 to more than 5,000 with a substantial increase in wages for the members.

HACKER BROUGHT MEMBERS IN

In the hotels, which were recently organized, the employers have to pay \$10,000 a month more wages, he said.

"If any wonder that they should be lavish with their funds to the oppositions and give them free hotel rooms and cooperate to fight against me," he asked.

Hacker severely criticized Bookjans, who paraded as a Socialist and had been a member of the Socialist Party for 35 years for being a leader in the red-baiting within the union.

Under 20 years of Bookjans leadership, the union had stagnated and had only 400 members. In two and a half years of Hacker's leadership, more than 4,500 joined the union.

Buffalo C. P. to Broadcast Tuesday On Relief in City

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Taking to the air, the Erie County Committee of the Communist Party will resort to the radio in the local battle over how and who shall manage Relief.

Speaking over station WBNY, 1370 Kc., Sam Abbott, county organizer, will be heard Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 8:45 to 9 P. M.

A.F.L. Railway Unions in Big Drive Against Layoffs

Launch Campaign in Pennsylvania R.R. Pitcairn Shops Against Mass Furloughs, Intensify Drive Against Company Unions

By Carl Reynolds

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITCAIRN, Pa., Feb. 6.—Mass furloughs on the Pennsylvania Railroad here have spurred an intensified drive by the railroad unions to organize the giant Pitcairn shops of the P.R.R.

The drive will be launched by Judge Henry Elinbogen, of the Common Pleas Court of Pittsburgh at the Eagles Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 8 at 7:30 P.M. He will speak at a rally arranged by the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, Local Union No. 602, A.F.L.

The meeting is in line with an organization campaign now going on on the P.R.R. to build the standard Railroad Labor Organizations among shop crafts employees and to put an end to the system of so-called "independent" company unions which have been fostered for years by the management.

P. L. Siemiller, organizer for the Railway Employees Department of the A. F. of L., is in charge of the drive.

The town here, has been almost crippled by the shut-down of the car shops on the railroad. Workers gather on Broadway, main street of Pitcairn, look across the tracks into the tremendous yards and wonder when they will be called back to work.

The steel shop, where box cars and gondola cars are assembled, has been completely shut since November. Other shops for car repairs have been down since the beginning of the year and have begun to hire a few men during the last week.

1,500 STILL FURLOUGHED

It is estimated that close to 1,500 workers are still furloughed. As more men have been called back to take care of the slight rise in freight loadings, the company has introduced a policy of forced medical examination for all those who return.

Many of the older men on the railroad who have not yet reached pension age are in danger of losing their jobs and being weeded out of the system by the report of the company doctors.

Speed-up is life in many of the departments. In store rooms, one man is now required to do the work that two or three did previously. This includes answering telephones, checking up on materials, making out slips.

Many of the employees are backing the legislative program of the railroad unions to keep their jobs secure. A company foreman in the transfer department who recently circulated a petition asking the workers to sign against the Train Limit Bill, found he could get no more than 200 signatures among more than 300 employees.

Indications point to many workers flocking to the Standard Railroad Labor Organizations and signing authorization cards for representation by the Railway Employees Department of the A. F. of L.

STILL GOING STRONG

Pennies From Heaven Pour Into Gangsters From Numbers Racket Despite Davis Arrest

By John Meldon

It takes tons of pennies to make \$100,000,000, but that's how much the numbers racket in this city is reputed to garner from the pockets of a gullible public each year.

Of course you can play the numbers with dollars if you so desire, which only means that you are a hundred times a bigger sucker than the shoe shine boy, the waitress and the housewife, who play in pennies.

To gangland the "take" from the numbers racket is pennies from heaven—millions of dollars worth of the little coins.

If anyone tries to tell you that with all the current uproar over the "capture" of Dixie Davis and his henchman, George Weinberg, that the numbers racket is smashed—just tell that person that you can buy numbers on any city block quicker than you can drop your hat.

RACKET GOES ON

For the racket is still doing business—despite the fact that it has become shaky and decentralized under the racket-busting blows of Thomas E. Dewey.

When Dixie Davis comes manacled from New York to face the music in Mr. Dewey's "ginsing school" as it is known in gangland—there will be certain revelations made that will blow the roof off over old Poppy Knickerbocker, and the new District Attorney will make good the promise he made during the election campaign—to wit—that with the capture of Dixie Davis, one of the most powerful political figures in New York will be named as the power behind the numbers throne.

When that name is revealed—it will be that of a notorious Tammany political boss.

"JIMMIES JUDGE"

Incidentally—did you notice in the news stories about the "capture" of Dixie Davis a reference to Dixie's telephone conversations having been tapped, and that Dixie had made a reference over the phone to "Jimmies Judge" (The slightly bygone figure in the press—but the reference was to the Tammany kingpin).

HINES BLOC

Go up around Harlem these days and talk to the little fellows connected with numbers, and they all have one question on their lips—"what's the big boss going to do about Dixie?"

They will be thinking that when they tear off the little slips and sell you a couple of numbers, because the big boss is really on the spot—now that Dixie is in Dewey's net.

Although the racket operates throughout all five boroughs, Harlem is the particular concentration for the racketeers. Harlem is generally an area of destitution and impoverishment, and thousands of Harlem Negroes play the numbers for the "sport" of it—but be-

cause they hope desperately to hit a winning number and thus escape hunger and unemployment for a brief period.

Gangsterland utilizes mass unemployment and misery in Harlem to build its numbers racket.

Jim Hines controls the "Hines Harlem bloc" as it is known in political circles. He dominates the bloc with the strong-hand methods reminiscent of Pennsylvania's Boss Penrose or the earlier Boss Tweed of Tammany Hall. The bloc consists of the five Assembly Districts in the Harlem area—and from that control springs the organization and direction of many rackets—particularly the numbers racket.

Just how big the numbers machine is—it is doubtful if even Dewey knows. Certainly there are thousands "writers," collectors and runners in the vast apparatus for gathering up the city's loose change.

CHANCES OF WINS SLIM

The chances of making a "hit" through the numbers is quite remote—and there can be found people in this city who are still waiting to collect.

Numbers were formerly played on figures released by the daily Clearing House exchange. This involved a reading of the statement published daily by that body of the day's exchange.

When the police began to crack down on number bankers the Clearing House officials decided to publish their statement at a different hour of the day so that number bankers could not use it for their racketeering business. Finally the bankers hit upon a new scheme. They discovered the mutual machine at the race tracks outside of New York State totalize the amount of money bet on each race. Taking the total prices on the third, fifth, and eighth races now gives you the numbers. At present the payoff is the figure issued by the prices on horses at Hialeah Park. The best

part about this new scheme, for the bankers, is the fact that these mutual figures can be, and are, regulated.

SINCE the number is the actual amount of money paid off on the first three, the fourth and fifth, and the sixth, seventh, and eighth races, it follows that the numbers become known far ahead of the last figure. The numbers bankers get the first two numbers and then they can wire their representative at the track to bet enough money in the mutual machine so as to bring out a final figure on which they have a very small play.

Peculiarly enough, the public is very tolerant of the racket, viewing it as an interesting and "harmless" pastime. Because the usual bets run from a few pennies to a dime, the victims cannot quite realize that they are contributing to one of the most profitable schemes gangland has ever devised.

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Seamen Urge U. S. Act on Repair Issue

Maritime Council Asks Hull to Intervene with Commission

The New York Maritime Council yesterday requested the State Department to intervene in its dispute with the U. S. Maritime Commission over the spending of ship subsidy funds for repair work in foreign ports.

In a letter to Secretary Cordell Hull, Thomas Ray, secretary of the Council, asked that Consul General in foreign ports be reminded that authorization for repair work in their ports of any but an emergency nature was not in accordance with provisions of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936.

According to that act, steamship companies receiving government subsidies are forbidden to contract for repair work in foreign ports except in emergencies.

Lately, according to Ray, certain companies have succeeded in persuading U. S. Consuls in some ports to authorize routine repair work as emergency work, thereby depriving American shore gangs of employment.

Last week, Ray charged the Maritime Commission with negligence in enforcing the above provisions of the Merchant Marine Act.

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Racket Employers Steal Millions From Jobless in Insurance Deals

Millions Stolen Each Year by Employers, Evidence Shows

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Mr. who gets the yellow slip, earned \$270 or more during the January-September period.

Where then does the state get these false records?

The answer is from racketeering employers. Not from all building trades employers, it must be emphasized. There are honest contractors who turn in correct payroll figures. But unfortunately there are large numbers of chiseling builders who give false payroll figures to the state unemployment insurance office and evade the legally required payments of two per cent of payroll for many of their employees.

WITHOLD PAYROLLS

As far as the victimized worker is concerned, the employer's failure to pay the two per cent contributions is not his worst crime. The State is still obliged to pay insurance benefits to the unemployed worker if there is a record of his earnings. . . The State can force the employer to pay up later. . . The employer's worst crime is his failure to furnish those payroll records to the State.

Of course the employer cannot furnish the full payroll records without paying the contributions. The two things go together.

It must be emphasized that these racketeering employers are not merely interested in saving the two per cent contributions. They are out to save a much bigger sum. And this brings us to the workmen's compensation racket.

The unemployment insurance fraud racket, which eyes the unemployed worker, is only incidental to the much vaster racket in workmen's compensation insurance evasions.

The latter racket runs into millions yearly. It is now being investigated by the Racketeers Bureau of the District Attorney's office in Brooklyn.

In fact, seven building contractors, whose cases will be referred to later, are now awaiting trial in these compensation rackets.

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One latter contractor, says the Brooklyn prosecutor, evaded compensation insurance payment on all but \$18,000 of his \$100,000 payroll.

Double bookkeeping was the way he turned the trick.

What the Brooklyn D.A.'s office has not yet done is to tie up the two rackets together. Yet they are inseparable, as we shall show. The compensation racket is the mother of the other.

INSURANCE RATES

These racketeering employers were hiding their payrolls from the workmen's compensation authorities long before the unemployment insurance law went into effect. If they submit full payroll reports to the unemployment insurance authorities today they will be called on the carpet to explain why they have cheated the workmen's compensation insurance funds.

There, as we said before, is where the big money lies. Compensation insurance payments are not just two per cent of payrolls. In the construction trades these insurance

Fights Racket



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rates run from ten to fifty per cent of payrolls and even higher. The rate on painters and iron workers on high construction jobs runs to fifty per cent. And house wrecking contractors must pay compensation insurance rates of 80 and 90 per cent of payrolls.

One can thus understand why one Brooklyn lathing contractor, investigated by the Racketeers Bureau, reported payrolls of only \$18,000 in one year to the workmen's compensation insurance funds, though his actual payroll was about \$100,000.

He was probably saving ten to twenty thousand dollars a year by these false returns.

WEINSTEIN STATEMENT

It is easy to see how strongly he would be tempted to falsify payroll figures to the unemployment insurance fund in order to hide his previous workmen's compensation insurance frauds.

Discussing this fraud, Secretary Weinstein of the Painters District Council, said:

"The dishonest contractor not only ignores the unemployed worker. He also ignores the fair employer, who finds it difficult to bid against a competitor, who chisels thousands of dollars in this manner."

"This practice must and shall be stopped."

In a preliminary move against the racketeers, the painters' organization here has sent each unemployed member, who was unjustly deprived of his insurance benefits to the Bureau of Insurance Control of the State Department of Labor with a record of his earnings.

After listing employers' names and addresses and dates of employment and earnings, the District Council asks for action, in a letter to the bureau.

"We urge you," says the union's letter, signed by Secretary S. Weinstein of the relief committee, "to take prompt and appropriate action against such employers who have unwisely sought to deny the State of the mandatory 2 per cent contribution and the worker of his unemployment insurance benefits."

Daily Worker Inquiry Shows Payroll Data Withheld from State

The union is giving the State a reasonable time to deliver the goods before taking further action.

Henrietta Rothstein, manager of the unemployment insurance branch office in the Lawyers' Building at 14th Street and Eighth Avenue, frankly admitted that the problem was serious.

"We are getting hundreds of complaints from unemployed workers who say they have earned more than the minimum amount required by the law. We forward these complaints to the main office at Albany. The worker will receive benefits in every case where he can prove he is eligible."

She added that the State would have its own way of getting after employers who failed to report full payrolls.

JOB RECORDS

Unorganized workers are almost helpless in winning such fraud appeals. Most of them keep no job records and the cost of bringing witnesses down to establish periods of employment and payrolls will be prohibitive.

But the records of union shop and job stewards will be invaluable in winning favorable decisions and putting defaulting employers on the spot.

The photographic reproduction of an affidavit by four workers of the Bradlee Corporation of 354 East 51st St., which illustrates this article, shows how valuable such shop stewards' records can be.

Readers of the Daily Worker may remember that this Bradlee Corporation figured in the "Kick Back" racket stories last year. In fact Hyman Lebow, one of the contracting firm's officers last year, was arrested and sentenced to 30 days in prison as a kick-backer.

THE BRADLEE FIGHT

With the help of the big strike last summer this Kick Back was stopped and the Bradlee workers got full wages. They earned up to more than twelve hundred dollars each during the January-September period, on which present unemployment insurance benefits are based.

But when they applied for their \$18 a week benefits they got yellow slips marked "NOT eligible."

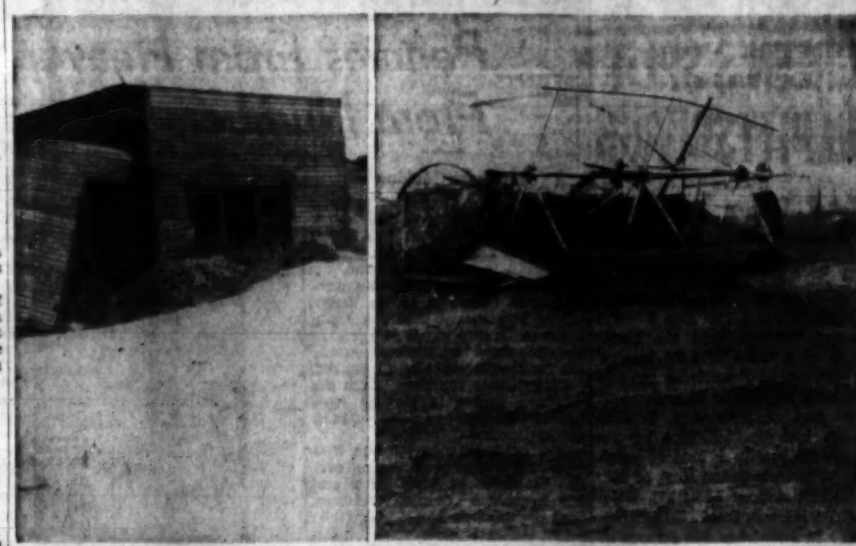
The firm, it seemed, had failed to report its full payroll, though ten or more workers were regularly employed throughout the January-September period.

Fortunately Shop Steward Joe Salvatore had his records. And individual workers had their own reports too. So Joe and three other Bradlee workers, who were together at painters' headquarters, signed the affidavit which we reproduce today.

Any state investigator can quickly get scores of such affidavits against defaulting employers can not get around.

(Tomorrow the Daily Worker will tell how the law can punish the insurance racketeers and will give the stories of some of the victims of this racket in the building trades.)

STARTING THE NEW YEAR UNDER A HANDICAP



A barn near Felt, Okla., in the area swept by dust storms, is shown (left) sagging under pressure of pulverized soil piled against it by winds. Other photo shows a scene on a farm near Mexhoma, Okla., after winds covered implements with dust.

470 Leading U.S. Citizens Protest on Barcelona Bombings

Leaders of Religion, Art, Education and Film World Send Petition to President Over Recent Massacre by Fascists

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The moral protest of America added to that already voiced in England by Anthony Eden and in France by Camille Chautemps cannot but help in bringing an end to such callous and inhuman slaughter. The Spanish Government, we are happy to note, has pledged itself to refrain from all reprisals provided the Rebels cease their terroristic bombings. They must do, in the name of all that is sacred and decent in civilization.

Among more than 100 religious leaders signing were eight Protestant bishops; Rt. Rev. James C. Baker, Methodist bishop of California; Rt. Rev. Edgar Blake, Methodist bishop of Michigan; Rt. Rev. Benjamin Brewster, Episcopal bishop of Maine; Rt. Rev. Chauncey B. Brewster, Episcopal bishop of Connecticut; retired Rt. Rev. Robert L. Paddock, Episcopal bishop of Oregon; retired Rt. Rev. Paul B. Kern, Methodist bishop of North and South Carolina; and Rt. Rev. Louis S. Sanford, Episcopal bishop for the San Joaquin district of California. Other religious leaders signing included the Very Rev. Milo H. Gates, D. D. Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York; Rev. Ernest Fremont Tittle, Bishop of Temple University, Dr. Branson, Ill.; Rev. Henry Smith Leiper, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Rev. William B. Lampe, West Presbyterian Church, St. Louis.

EDUCATORS, MOVIE PEOPLE

Signers from the motion picture community in Hollywood included Joseph Schenck, King Vidor, Frank Tuttle, Bing Crosby, Bette Davis, Louise Rainer, Dorothy Parker, Sylvia Sydney, John Ford, Walter Huston, Ogden Nash, Dashiell Hammett, and William Wyler.

Among scores of educators, including some 20 college and university heads, were the following: President Walter Dill Scott of Northwestern University, President Marion Park of Bryn Mawr, President Algeo H. Henderson of Antioch, President William Alfred Eddy of Hobart, President William Allen Hobart of Smith College, Dr. Marc E. Wooley, president emeritus of Mount Holyoke, President Charles E. Beatty of Temple University, Dr. Walter B. Cannon of the Harvard Medical School, Professor Robert S.

Lynd of Columbia University, Dr. John D. Elliot of the Ethical Culture Society, Professor Henry Pratt Fairchild of New York University, Dr. Harry Elmer Barnes, and Professor Edward Aylesworth Ross of Wisconsin.

ORGANIZATION OFFICIALS

Officials and heads of organizations among the signers included Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Everett M. Baker, executive vice-president of the Unitarian Association of America; Wade Crawford Barclay, executive secretary of the Joint Commission on Religious Education in Foreign Fields; Fanny Filgelman Brin, president of the National Council of Jewish Women; J. C. Broomfield, traveling president of the General Conference of the Methodist Church; Charles E. Burton, secretary of the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches; Ralph W. Diefendorfer, corresponding secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and John R. Mott, chairman of the World Committee of the Y.M.C.A.

Writers, artists and editors who signed the appeal included the following: Edna Ferber, Christopher Morley, Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Henry Seidel Canby, Robert L. Duffus, Stuart Chase, Thornton Wilder, Van Wyck Brooks, Donald Ogden Stewart, Marc Blitzstein, Louise Laidlaw Backus, Emil Lengyel, Leonard Stone, Lillian Hellman, Genevieve Taggard, William Carlos Williams, Alma Gluck Zimbalist, Kyle Crichton, Paul de Kruif, Howard Brubaker, Elliot Paul and Paul Kellogg.

To Hold Rally for Dock Strikers

A mass meeting in support of the striking longshoremen of Puerto Rico will be held Wednesday night at the Park Palace Theatre, 110th St. and Fifth Ave.

Among the organizations sponsoring the mass meeting are the Puerto Rico Nationalist Party, New York Junta, and the Committee Pro-Puerto Rico. Speakers representing the Nationalist Party include Attorney Gilberto Concepcion, and Juan Malsoni will speak in behalf of the Committee Pro-Puerto Rico.

War Anywhere Is Peril To U.S. Senate Head Says

Barkley Tells Audience U. S. Must Guard Its Democratic Ideals, Cannot Ignore Events in Other Lands, Hits Ostrich Policy

FON DU LAC, Wis., Feb. 6.—Americans cannot afford to pretend to be ignorant of the fact that "whatever disturbs the peace and happiness of any part of the world disturbs the whole world," U. S. Senator Alben W. Barkley, Majority Leader in the Senate, said today.

"The world is witnessing an organized effort to discredit the democratic theory, and armies are marching over the dead bodies of helpless and innocent men and women who have dared to hold to their property, their ideals and their institutions," Barkley told an audience of 600 at a home-town testimonial dinner for his colleague, Senator F. Ryan Duffy.

"Whatever we may now think concerning the events of two decades ago, however much we may assume that the sand which hides our heads conceals the rest of our anatomy, we live in a world which has been constantly drawn closer together by the genius of man."

"Can we hope to preserve political and religious equality in America if elsewhere in the world one-half of her struggling peoples are denied these blessings unless we guard our country against the growth of conditions which may have contributed to these losses elsewhere?"

Barkley endorsed Duffy's record in the United States Senate and said that he hoped the Fond du Lac Senate would be elected to a second term.

SEN. ALBEN W. BARKLEY

C.P. Gains 22,000 Members In Party Recruiting Drive

More Than Half Are Members of CIO and AFL Unions—Builders Conference to Open in New York on February 18

More than half of the 22,000 new members added to the rolls of the Communist Party during its recent nation-wide recruiting campaign are members of CIO and A. F. of L. trade unions, the party's membership committee announced last night in preparation for the National Party Builders Congress which will convene here from Feb. 18 to 21.

A survey of the composition of the delegates to the National Party Builders Congress indicates that more than half a hundred important trades and professions will be represented. Included are auto, coal, mining, metal, textile, oil, steel and transport workers, fishermen, printers, farmers, housewives, longshoremen, lawyers, doctors and white collar workers.

Women delegates will wield an important influence on the Congress proceedings and will have an unusually high representation. The role of the Communist Party in the fight for equal rights for the Negro people will be vividly demonstrated by a huge mass meeting at Madison Square Garden on the eve of Washington's Birthday, Monday, Feb. 21. Delegates to the Congress and anticipated audience of 20,000 will hear significant reports by Earl Browder, William Z. Foster, and other major figures of the Communist Party Congress.

In announcing details of the forthcoming Congress, the Central Committee of the Communist Party U.S.A. declared: "The meeting of the National Party Builders Congress will represent a significant milestone in the fight of all progressive forces against reaction and fascism."

"One of the main subjects on

the Congress agenda will be a discussion of the results of the National Recruiting Drive which started Sept. 1 and ended Jan. 21, and which to date has netted more than 20,000 new recruits into the Communist Party U. S. A. Another major theme of the important four-day sessions will be the discussion of the immediate steps required to transform the Communist Party into a broad mass political organization."

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HOWARD CALLS SWOC DRAFTS AFL STATEMENT ON TALK FALSE BIG STEEL

Typo Leader Spikes Council's Claims on Unity Talks

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 6.—Charles P. Howard, International President of the International Typographical Union and one of the ten CIO representatives in the recent negotiations on unity declared that claims in the report on the unity talks that the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. adopted Friday are "utterly false" and declared that at no time was there an agreement "which Lewis vetoed."

Referring to the report to Executive Council submitted by three A. F. of L. representatives, Howard said:

THE FACTS

"The report to the executive council of the committee that represented A. F. of L. in peace negotiations with the CIO is inaccurate and utterly false in some of its statements. It is astounding that the committee would attach their names to a statement that so badly misrepresents the facts. It is utterly untrue that the committee representing the CIO at any time accepted the proposal of the A. F. of L. or that there was an agreement that the suspended international unions would affiliate with the A. F. of L. and sub-committees be named to agree upon conditions under which the twenty other international unions composing the CIO would secure affiliation."

"The statement that this agreement was reached at a meeting when Chairman Philip Murray was absent is unqualifiedly false. It is fortunate that the ten members composing the CIO committee were in attendance and knew the facts. They can attest that at no time was there any such agreement. The CIO committee consistently refused to agree to take up the question of jurisdictional conflicts until such time as the principle of industrial organization was accepted and all international unions affiliated with the CIO had been granted certificates of affiliation with the A. F. of L."

THE DISCUSSION

Obviously referring to an admission made by Daniel Tobin, President of the Brotherhood of Teamsters, Howard declared:

"It is true that A. F. of L. committee declared upon numerous occasions that it had full power to act. The statement that the committee had full and complete authority to negotiate a settlement was later denied by one member of the executive council."

Howard's statement continued: "It is also true that the committee representing the A. F. of L. tentatively agreed to recognition to the principle of industrial organization, and there was extended discussion in an effort to enumerate the industries that were to be designated for organization upon an industrial basis."

"The questions of calling a special convention within sixty or ninety days and amending the A. F. of L. constitution to specifically provide the executive council should not suspend, expel or penalize an international union for any reason were also discussed."

"The conference finally adjourned because concessions to the CIO that had been suggested were withdrawn and it was insisted the suspended unions should apply for readmission to the A. F. of L. after which disposition would be made of the other international unions composing the CIO."

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ment of grievances in the mills and the machinery a worker must utilize.

When Murray meets John Lester Perry, new president of Carnegie-Illinois, largest subsidiary of U. S. Steel, today, he will go in with an expression of confidence from the men in the mills.

Murray and the leaders of the S.W.O.C. were voted blanket authority to negotiate the contract. This has since been reaffirmed by the mass meetings held in steel districts.

Mr. Murray has also called a conference tomorrow of his chief lieutenants in the Carnegie-Illinois mills from Chicago, Gary, Clairton, Duquesne, Bradstock, Homestead and a score of other cities.

See Mussolini Behind Nazi Envoy Shifts

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del. now Consul General of Germany at Shanghai, would step into von Papen's place.

While Nazi chieftains were shifting their key diplomatic and military officials in a turnover that may plunge Germany swifter than ever along the path to war, the German public learned practically nothing of the events that were going far to shape the immediate future of their country.

They will probably be kept in ignorance of any information except routine announcements of appointments until Hitler speaks before a specially-summoned session of the Reichstag two weeks from today.

Other diplomatic changes which are said to be likely are the naming of Count Friedrich Werner von der Schulenburg, now Ambassador to Moscow, to Tokio.

Eberhart von Stohrer, who occupies the ambassadorial post with the Spanish fascists Junta of General Francisco Franco, may go to London to succeed Joachim von Ribbentrop, who catapulted into head German foreign policy as Foreign Minister.

IWO School To Open Today

Abraham Epstein, of New York University and Executive Secretary of the American League for Social Security will be one of the prominent faculty members of the International Workers Order National Training School it was announced today.

The school, considered unique in the fraternal field, will consist of 25 selected students who will receive three months of intensive education in preparation for fraternal leadership.

With courses ranging from Theory and Practice of Fraternalism to Labor Problems, the workers fraternal society has engaged outstanding educators and specialists as instructors including in addition to Professor Epstein, Dr. Marley of the Consumers Union, Reinhard A. Hohnau, Assistant Secretary of the Metropolitan Insurance Company, James Allen, noted authority on Negro problems, Warren M. Bannock of the National Urban League.

London Sends Strong Protest To Franco

Italian Bombing of British Ship, Pirate Sub Attack Forces Action

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Great Britain tonight dispatched a vigorous note of protest to General Francisco Franco whose Italian seaplanes bombed and sunk the British freighter Alcira off Barcelona on Friday.

Details of the note were not revealed, but Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will make a full statement in Parliament tomorrow regarding the attack on the Alcira, the torpedoing of the Endymion earlier in the week and strengthening of the Nyon Agreement to combat piracy.

Simultaneously all ships of the British, French and Italian patrol fleets were notified of the name, nationality and whereabouts of all submarines at present in the Mediterranean outside of territorial waters to avoid any "accidental" sinkings.

The destroyers, torpedo boats and cruisers of the patrol fleets had been ordered to drop depth bombs without warning whenever they sight a submarine outside of Spanish waters.

The Endymion was sunk last week by a pirate submarine off Cartagena, resulting in the loss of 10 lives.

The British Admiralty reportedly transferred its second and third destroyer flotillas from Malta to the Western Mediterranean where they will cooperate with French warships in patrolling the Spanish coast.

They likewise will "blockade" the Spanish Rebel-held island of Mallorca in the Balearics out of which the pirate submarines were believed operating.

Body of Harvard Student Is Believed Found in River Basin

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 6 (UP).

A badly decomposed body, tentatively identified as that of F. William Burgess, 22, of Cincinnati, O., first year Harvard Law School student who disappeared Nov. 14, was found floating in the Charles River Basin today by metropolitan police.

NAZIS TO TRY PASTOR TODAY FOR SEDITION

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politics toward the Protestant Church. He insists that he has never attacked the state or its functionaries as such but has only defended what he regards as the church's liberties.

The Army officers reported to be ready to testify in his defense were said to have signed affidavits asserting that they sat regularly in his congregation and never heard him make seditious remarks.

The indictment to be presented tomorrow charges Rev. Niemoller with violation of a special law providing punishment for "malicious" attacks on the state or Nazi Party, and with the misuse of his pulpit and disobedience of official orders.

The violation of "official orders" probably refers to the Pastor's refusal to cease reading from the pulpit the names of those quitting the church because of fears of incurring Nazi enmity. He also refused to cease taking up church collections.

OTHER CHARGES

Other charges contained in the indictment are:

1.—Abusive remarks about leading persons of the Third Reich.

2.—Stirring up unrest among the population.

3.—Dissemination of untrue state decrees.

4.—Relations with the foreign press.

The Confessional Synod denied that Niemoller had any connections with the foreign press and asserted that "the fate of Christendom in Germany naturally also greatly interests people abroad."

"At a time when cowardice is rampant, eyes are focused on a man who fearlessly confessed to Christ," the statement said.

Niemoller's arrest marked the end and collapse of the last attempt by Reich authorities to find a "compromise" settlement with the confessionals. Hitler personally initiated that last attempt by announcing that church elections would be held—thereby virtually rejecting Minister Kerr's plan of drastic and compulsory settlement. But when Niemoller was arrested the plan of holding elections again was discarded.

Fight Raging Near Teruel Lines Again

Loyalists Retiring at 1 Point—Halt Foe at Alfambra

BARCELONA, Feb. 6 (UP).—The government admitted tonight that Loyalist troops were forced to retire before a fascist counter-attack around Teruel.

A communique said that the fascists attacked toward Alfambra 15 miles North of Teruel, but were repulsed. Another drive southeastward between Singra and Montalban forced the Loyalist troops "to retreat in an orderly manner," it added.

Government lines along the Zalamela range, parallel to and within artillery fire of the road down which the fascists were driving, were described as "holding firm."

The communique admitted the loss of positions captured by fascists Saturday in the Sierra Carbonera.

"The enemy attacked stronger than on Saturday," it said of the new offensive.

[The fascists have previously attempted two terrific counter-offensives to recapture Teruel, taken by the Loyalists in mid-December in one of the most spectacular coups of the entire war.]

[Both simmered out before reaching their goal after General Francisco Franco sacrificed three-quarters of his shock-troop effectiveness and vast quantities of war material for two hills on either flank of Teruel, La Muela and El Muleton.]

[The second offensive, which centered against El Muleton, had roused the ire of Franco's Nazi and Italian backers, who furnished the backbone of the insurgent general's present army.]

British Aviators To Try To Set 3 New Records

GRAVESEND, Kent, Eng., Feb. 6 (UP).—Flying officer A. E. Clouston and Victor Ricketts hoped off from Gravesend Airport at 4 A. M. today in a twin-engine De Havilland comet monoplane "Australian Anniversary" in an attempt to set three new records—from England to Australia, England to New Zealand and the round trip to Australia.

52 N. Y. UNIONS PUSH PLAN FOR JOBLESS MARCH

CIO, AFL Delegates to
Press for Increase
in WPA Rolls

Spurred by the news of the great demonstration of a quarter million at Detroit, 100 delegates of 52 unions with membership of over 200,000 met Saturday at Manhattan Industrial High School, 22 and Lexington Ave., to further plans for the jobless march on Wall St. Feb. 19.

The delegates who came from CIO and A. F. of L. unions reported strong support rolling up for the march which is expected to add greatly to the pressure behind the movement for added WPA jobs and relief appropriations.

A delegation was elected from the conference to express to Mayor LaGuardia a protest against the edict of the Welfare Department cutting off all clothing allowance. The delegation will also go to Washington Tuesday to place the demand before Assistant WPA administrator Aubrey Williams for additional WPA jobs for New York.

The United Electrical and Radio Workers representatives predicted that they will have 5,000 of their members in the march. The United Shoe Workers reported that their shops were being covered for a full turnout with from 2,000 to 3,000 of their members expected in line. Other unions gave similar indications.

A number of union orchestras are being brought out to head contingents of the parade.

FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

A report before the conference on the legislative measures of interest to the unemployed that are coming up stressed the need of increased expression for the Schwellenbach-Alten resolution.

The conference went on record in support of a number of bills introduced into the New York legislature aiming to improve the handling and standards of relief. Among them a bill providing for a 72-hour limit in the investigation of relief applicants; 24-hour service at home relief offices for emergency cases and a relief standards bill which provides for a minimum \$10 weekly relief with \$3 for each dependent.

The conference also voted to memorialize the State Assembly and the New York City Council with a resolution calling upon Congress to pass the Schwellenbach-Alten Resolution.

Catholic Clubs In Colleges Hold Parley

Cooperation with Non-
Catholic Groups Is
Progressives' Stand

Candid criticism of activities and tendencies within the Catholic Church, buttressed by progressive and enlightened suggestions, prevailed at the nineteenth annual convention of the New York Province of the Federation of College Catholic Clubs at the Waldorf-Astoria this week-end.

Members of 27 Newman Clubs in 19 secular colleges in the metropolitan area, including C.C.N.Y., Brooklyn College, Hunter, Columbia, and Barnard, attended the sessions and participated in the lively discussions which followed the various reports and talks.

Speakers, presenting their views frankly, stressed the need for closer cooperation between Catholics and non-Catholics, criticized the opposition of certain members of the clergy to sex education, the utilization of bingo parties, games of chance at bazars and similar methods as means of raising funds, and emphasized that the labor encyclical of Pope Leo XIII, "Rerum Novarum," was just as true today as when it was first promulgated.

The discussions were based on the general subject: "The Pew Looks at the Pulpit."

Roger W. Mullin, Jr., editor of "The Fordham Law Review" and a member of the Brooklyn College Alumni Newman Club, advocated sex instruction for children with, however, correct emphasis on the spiritual aspects involved. He pointed out that leaves as an alternative to the acquiring of such knowledge from irreputable sources.

PROGRESSIVE ACTION URGED
Bingo parties and other activities "sometimes of dubious legality" were scored by William J. Hurley, of C.C.N.Y. Opinion was fairly unanimous in declaring such methods of fund raising not in keeping with teachings of the Catholic Church, even though intended for good ends.

Patrick O'Callaghan, of C.C.N.Y., stressed the necessity for application of the progressive principles laid down in "Rerum Novarum" to the problems confronting the workers in the Catholic Church today.

Although discussion was more diffuse, it was no less significant than the recent Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems in advocating a policy within the Catholic Church more attuned to the problems of the day and based on the progressive teachings found in Pope Leo XIII's "Rerum Novarum" and Pope Pius XI's "Quadragesimo Anno."

2 Mt. Vernon Youths Killed in Car Accident

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Feb. 6 (UP).—Two youths were killed today when the automobile in which they were riding overturned here. The victims were Vincent J. Buzzard, 20, and Stephen Cottella, 17, both of Mount Vernon. Both bodies were thrown clear of the wreckage.

Unions Set Up Bureaus for the Unemployed In Fight for More WPA Jobs and Bigger Relief Fund



Relief and WPA Committees in action. Left: Emil M. Goldberg, for the Furriers Joint Council, interviewing Morris Schlossberg, applying for unemployment insurance. Above: Goldberg examining applications of Abe Glittle, M. Sakenick and Bernard Swannan. Right: Samuel Rosenthal, one of committee of five established by Painters District Council 8, helping Nick Casare, relief applicant.

Relief, WPA, Social Insurance Tasks of Committee

By Esther Cantor

Through the length and breadth of the land, America's organized millions are assuming a new function: to fight unemployment.

Big and small union locals have established a new department, a relief and WPA committee, to keep jobless members within the union, assist in the fight for relief and WPA jobs, place unemployed members on jobs, safeguard unemployment insurance rights, and press for speedy passage of necessary social legislation.

What was unheard of in 1929, when unions stood helplessly by while workers were fired, and the jobless dropped their membership because of inability to pay dues, losing contact with the stream of the organized labor movement, is now being rapidly remedied.

The historic CIO convention last October in Atlantic City pointed the way in which American unions would answer the menace of joblessness. The right of every worker to have a job was the basic demand adopted at that convention.

Since then, Chairman John L. Lewis and Director John Brophy have circulated all CIO locals with instructions on safeguarding the union during the present unemployment by safeguarding the interests of the jobless worker.

ASK 3,000,000 JOBS

John L. Lewis, leading the fight for the unemployed, has called for the immediate placement of 3,000,000 jobless workers on WPA. Acting on the resolution passed by the convention of the United Mine Workers, Lewis urged the repeal of the Woodrum amendment which forces the present relief appropriations to be spent over a 12-month period; called for an immediate appropriation of \$1,000,000,000 to deal with the present unemployment situation; and for an added \$2,000,000 to take care of the coming fiscal year.

The CIO has also urged passage of the Schwellenbach-Alten Bill which would provide WPA jobs for all needy unemployed.

Similar demands have been voiced by Labor's Non-Partisan League and the Workers Alliance.

The fight for the unemployed is also a fight against wage cuts, speed-up and long hours. These tasks the union are doing directly. It is also a fight for unemployment insurance, the need for which the first brought to the public attention by the Communist Party, and later spread throughout the land in the vigorous campaign led by the AFL rank and file committee under Louis Weinstock, present secretary-treasurer of Painters District Council 9 in a telegram to Irving M. Ives, majority leader of the New York State Assembly.

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WITH the UNIONS

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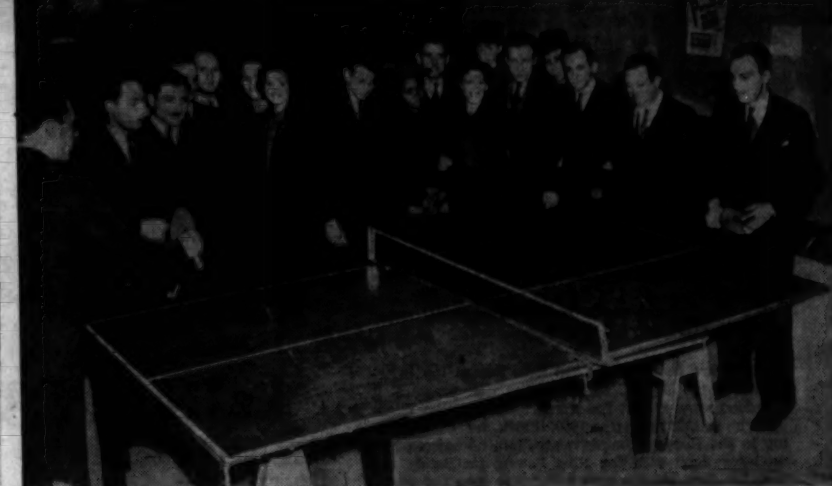
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FUR FLOOR BOYS SEEK COLLECTIVE CONTRACT

The Fur Floor and Shipping Clerks Union, Local 125 of the International Fur Workers Union, CIO, has served notice to the Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturers, Inc. that it seeks collective agreement.

During the two years of the union's existence, it has established collective agreement with every branch of the industry except manufacturing. The majority of



The United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, District 4, has provided educational and recreational facilities for its unemployed members through its relief and WPA committee. Third from right is Samuel Kantor, in charge of the work. L. S. Brodsky, second from left, handles relief cases.

something new. During the long years since 1929, it was first the Unemployment Councils and later the Workers Alliance which steadfastly fought for the interests of the jobless worker and his family, learned how to deal with relief investigators and WPA officials, and how best unemployed workers can be organized so that their rights are guaranteed to be protected.

Recognizing this, the CIO has recommended that wherever possible, the CIO bodies cooperate with the Workers Alliance in the fight for relief and WPA.

ACTION IN AFL LOCALS

While the AFL has said little on the need for keeping the jobless worker within the unions, many progressive AFL unions have established relief and WPA committees, and are following the lead of the CIO in fighting unemployment.

The way these relief and WPA committees function varies from union to union and town to town. In some towns, unions have set up relief offices in local headquarters, established their own investigating machinery, and fight directly for increased appropriations.

Alert CIO central bodies have also become central relief agencies, registering all unemployed workers and working directly with the relief agencies.

Just how these new departments in unions function can be seen by taking three typical examples in New York City.

In a former bank building located at 262 Fulton St., Brooklyn, the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, District 4, has its offices.

Within a short time, the union has gained 16,000 members, of whom 5,000 to 6,000 are unemployed.

When the union noticed how many members were being laid off,

they put Samuel Kantor, an organizer, in full charge of unemployed work.

Working with Kantor are representatives from the 20 local affiliates with the district council. These representatives are elected by the unemployment committees set up in each local, comprising both employed and unemployed members.

The central committee assigns specific tasks to each member, such as visiting the relief bureau with the unemployed worker, mobilizing the membership to support legislation in the interests of the union, organizing educational activities for the union vouching for needed work on the membership lists to keep track of all unemployed workers to keep them in the union and put them back to work as soon as jobs are available.

ALLIANCE AIDS
Whenever necessary, the union calls upon the Workers Alliance for aid. Kantor reported that the union has established the right of its committee going with the unemployed worker to the relief bureau. He explained that the union only takes up cases when a union member has difficulty in getting on relief or when the union considers that some of its members should be on WPA.

L. S. Brodsky, an unemployed worker who takes other unemployed to relief bureaus with a letter from the union vouching for needed work, said that the union often had to take care of a whole family when a young worker is laid off who had been their sole support.

In the main hall of the union headquarters, the relief and WPA committee has set up a ping pong table, chess and checker sets, a library and reading room, and held many lectures for the jobless members.

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bers of the Associated have signed individual contracts with the union.

HOLD RALLY FOR DRIVE ON B'KLYN INSTRUMENT CO.

The organizing drive to unionize the Sperry Gyroscope Co., Brooklyn, largest instrument manufacturing plant in the country, will culminate in a mass meeting tomorrow night at 6 P. M. at the headquarters of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, 262 Fulton St., Brooklyn.

Michael J. Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union and city councilman will head the list of speakers, including Julius Empanach, secretary-treasurer of the UERMW; William Burke, organizer; and John Pollock and Henry Heinenmann, president and chairman of the Sperry shop committee.

TENANTS FIGHT TO SAVE JOB OF SUPERINTENDENT

The tenants of 2810 Olivine Ave., Bronx, organized into the Tenants League of the Sixth Assembly District, are fighting to save the job of their superintendent, fired for joining the Building Service Employees Union.

Thirty-eight of the 50 tenants have signed a petition demanding that the agent, Joseph Cohn, rescind the firing order which goes into effect Feb. 14.

TEACHERS UNION TO CALL PARLEY
A conference of representatives of teacher organizations and of schools to formulate legislation on absence refunds "and eliminate the unfair discrimination penalizing sick teachers, has been called by Teachers Union, Local 5, at the Manhattan Industrial High School for Feb. 23 at 4 P. M.

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IWO Nominating Parley Scheduled for Feb. 19

New York Will Send 100 Delegates to National
Convention Week of April 22 in Pittsburgh
—Drive for New Members Pushed

The City Central Committee of the International Workers Order announced the opening of the New York Nominating Conference February 19, at 2:30 P. M. at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place. New York will send 100 delegates to the National Convention of the Order, which will be held in Pittsburgh the week of April 22.

The Conference will last for two days and will not only elect delegates to the National Convention but will act on concrete proposals of how to successfully complete the Pre-Convention Drive for 12,500 new members.

Max Bedacht, General Secretary and Dave Greene, City Secretary will be the main speakers at the Saturday session. The following day at 11 A. M. the English section will continue meeting at Irving Plaza and the Language sections will meet at designated places throughout the City.

MONDAY, FEB. 7
Br. 804-229 W. 48th St., N.Y.C.
Br. 772-108 E. 14th St., N.Y.C.
Br. 621-200 Coner Island Ave., Bronx
Br. 756-2180 Most Ave., Far Rockaway
IWO Band Rehearsal—4 W. 18th St., N.Y.C., 2 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9
IWO Mandolin Orchestra Rehearsal—678 Freeman St., Bronx, 1 p.m.
IWO Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal—4 W. 18th St., N.Y.C., 7:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEB. 10
Br. 726-68 Clinton St., N.Y.C.

FRIDAY, FEB. 11
Br. 740-Grand Plaza—221 E. 100th St., Bronx
Br. 820-1218 Union St., B'klyn
Br. 432 (Norwegian) 1223-51th Ave., B'klyn
Br. 821-11 W. 84th Ave., Bronx
Br. 827-68-66 E. Blvd., Corona
Br. 418-45-15 43rd Ave., Woodside

FRIDAY, FEB. 11
Br. 600-4 W. 18th St., N.Y.C.
Br. 691-317 W. 129th St., N.Y.C.
Br. 519-683 Allerton Ave., Bronx
Br. 831-11 W. 84th Ave., Bronx
Br. 603-Grand Pl.—621 E. 100th St., Bx

FRIDAY, FEB. 11
Br. 487-1892 Westchester Ave., Bronx
Br. 781-Semole Mansion—3000 Creston Ave., Bronx
Br. 588 - Pelham Pk. Palace - White Plains Rd. & Lydig Ave., Bronx
Br. 488-1267 Kings Highway, B'klyn
Br. 431-3200 Coner Island Ave., B'klyn
Br. 623-331 Rockaway Ave., B'klyn
Br. 785-1141 Eastern Pkwy., B'klyn
Br. 897-45-15 43rd Ave., Woodside

SATURDAY, FEB. 12
IWO Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal—4 W. 18th St., N.Y.C., 2:30 p.m.
IWO Mandolin Classes Rehearsal—742 E. 14th St., Bronx
SUNDAY, FEB. 13
Br. 814-124 W. 84th St., N.Y.C.

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While your Compensation is: 6 REPEAL THE WOODRUM AMENDMENT 6 PASS THE SCHWELLENBACH-ALLEN RESOLUTION.

The trade union committee on unemployment and WPA, sponsoring the march on Wall St. Feb. 19, is mobilizing all unions in the city for the big demonstration.

Workers Alliance for helping in the establishment of the department and for continued cooperation on all measures affecting the jobless fur worker.

The union is at present concerned with violations by employers of the unemployment insurance act, thereby depriving jobless members of their insurance. The union, setting with the Workers Alliance, is also fighting relief officials attempts to throw unemployed workers off relief rolls when insurance payments are made.

The work of these unions is a sample of the big job undertaken by organized labor to keep its unions together during the period of unemployment. They are not only fighting for food and clothing for the jobless, but for jobs.

In the fight for jobs, all New York unions, together with the Workers Alliance, are getting ready for a mighty demonstration, marching down Wall St. Feb. 19 to challenge the right of big business to throw workers out of jobs.

Put America Back to Work will be the demand of organized labor, marching down Wall St. Feb. 19 to challenge the right of big business to throw workers out of jobs.

The bigger issues which are the concern of the new WPA and relief committees will be brought to the fore at the Feb. 19 demonstration: Passage of the Schwellenbach-Alten Bill; Repeal of the Woodrum amendment; and increased relief and WPA appropriations.

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URGES ADDED PRESSURE TO GET RELIEF AID

Benjamin Tells Alliance
of Penn. Pressure on
Congress Is Needed

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 6. — Speaking in the railroad-passed chambers of the City Council, Herbert Benjamin, jobless leader, yesterday warned 124 representatives of the unemployed to put pressure on Congress to increase WPA and relief funds.

Mr. Benjamin, who is national secretary-treasurer of the Workers Alliance, spoke to a western Pennsylvania Unemployed Conference. About 20 per cent of the delegates were from C. I. O. unions.

The speaker assailed "those coat-tail hangers" who were swept into the Capitol on the Democratic landslide and who together with the Republicans are sabotaging the President's legislative program.

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Hitler Tightens His War Machine

The drama on Hitler Germany moves apace.

The latest development, the replacement of the older military cliques in the army by Hitler and Goering, brings the Nazi Party another step forward toward concentrated domination of Germany's foreign policy.

And this means another step toward adventurism, toward war.

The latest developments drive the people of Germany closer toward the abyss of war. And that, inevitably, drives the people of the world toward the abyss of another world war.

The German developments are the response of the Hitler-Goering cliques, obsessed by the idea of murderous conquest, to the blows which the Spanish people dealt fascism at Teruel; they are the response of these cliques to the growing strain on the internal situation in Germany which arises from the Nazi participation in the Spanish adventure and the triple alliance with Mussolini and Japan.

Whatever elements in Germany's high command may have represented any doubts or speculations on this unbridled plunging forward toward new adventurism in alliance with Italy have been replaced. The war machine has been tightened.

The Nazi war cliques could not have acted as they did without the weaknesses of the powers, without the hesitations of France and the crafty double-dealing of the British Tory Cabinet. It is the weakness in the line of collective security which encourages the Nazi war cliques along the road that cannot but lead to a new world inferno of war.

The unflinching heroism of the Spanish people at Teruel brings new difficulties to the Nazi war cliques, and strengthens the opportunities of the German people in their anti-fascist struggle; but it also brings with it the menace of new terrorism against Spain. The Hitler-Goering bandits lunge arrogantly and brazenly forward to new murder, toward tightening the triple fascist alliance with Rome and Tokio.

The Nazi bandits will strike again. The Ambassadors to Vienna and Rome will be replaced by more servile supporters of the fascist triple alliance. In Danzig, the Nazis boast of new triumphs. Fear grows in the democratic, independent countries of Europe.

In the latest shake-up, the peace of the world, and hence, the peace of America, finds another menace. Today, more than ever, concerted political, economic pressure to halt the fascist bandits is the world's greatest need to preserve peace.

A Note to Japan: Its Merits And What It Lacks

Japan is riding to world war on mammoth battleships. She has initiated a naval race, which, if allowed to continue, can have only one consequence: the extension of the aggression in China to a world war.

This is the key fact in Secretary of State Hull's note to Tokio, along with similar messages from London and Paris. The fascist triple alliance, already engaged in aggressions in Spain, China and Ethiopia, is now in the midst of the most monstrous naval race ever known. Unless these war-inciters are called to a halt NOW the world will be confronted with universal slaughter.

For the naval end of the armaments race Japan, patently, is chiefly responsible. She has shrouded her war program in the greatest secrecy.

Secretary of State Hull demands what every American would like to know, namely: just how huge is Japan's naval construction program and how far advanced have her plans gone for a world war?

The fact that Britain and France sent identical notes to Japan insisting that the world be enlightened before February 20 on the facts it has a right to know is a good sign in that it shows the beginning of some common approach, though it is restricted to this limited problem of the naval arms race initiated by Tokio.

But the fundamental fact is that the question of preserving world peace can not be solved by the approach only to the problem of the arms race. If the democratic powers were as energetic in their achievement of collective action for peace as the fascist powers are aggressive in pursuit of their war policy the world could be saved from a world war and the present aggressions of the fascist triangle could be stopped.

Above all, consultation for real collective security and collective peace efforts of all the capitalist democratic powers to-

gether with the Soviet Union is the imperative need to answer the armaments race of the fascist dictators and to block their express-train plunge to world war.

In observing the United States, Britain and France acting jointly on the question of Japan's naval race it should be emphasized that what is lacking is the fact that the Soviet Union is not consulted in concerted measures for peace.

Certainly, as Secretary Hull makes clear in his apprehensive note, Japan's naval construction program endangers primarily the peace of the United States. The more aggressive turn of Nazi foreign policy as the result of the army crisis threatens France, Czechoslovakia and Austria. It is generally admitted, more than it does immediately the Soviet Union.

Of all the nations threatened by the fascist war plots, the Soviet Union, by far, is the best able to defend its own territory, to keep the Nazi and Japanese fascist snouts out of the Soviet garden patch.

Collective action of the Soviet Union along with the democratic powers would safeguard world peace and help to stave off attacks of the fascist powers on the U. S., France, Czechoslovakia, Austria and British territory. The contribution of the U.S.S.R. by collective security to world peace overwhelmingly outweighs any possible assistance that the Soviet Union would receive or would need to defend its own Socialist boundaries.

All the more criminal is the general conduct of the British Tories in acting as the main obstacle to the realization of concerted measures for peace. All the more dastardly is the love-letter writing of the Tory Premier Chamberlain to Mussolini.

It is up to the British people to end the perilous foreign policy of the British Tory cabinet, which blocks realization of collective security and directly plays into the hands of Hitler, Mussolini and the Mikado.

In this regard pressure of the American government can do much to counteract the Tory pro-fascist tactics by bringing to the attention of the peace-loving British people the hypocritical tactics of their reactionary rulers. And the U. S. can reach this objective by being itself bolder in initiating moves for concerted peace action.

Secretary of State Hull's note to Japan should be followed up, not by a large naval building program that would play into the hands of the American isolationist jingoists, but ABOVE ALL by an extension of collective consultation for measures that will bring peace.

And to make these measures most effective, the Soviet Union, the most powerful bulwark for world peace, must be consulted and included in the collaboration that will halt fascist aggression by concerted action for peace.

The Way Is Open To Complete Victory

The speech of Sen. Robt. F. Wagner in the Senate in support of the anti-lynching bill can be heartily welcomed.

Sen. Wagner, who is co-author of the measure, declared:

"Far from being an insuperable obstacle to anti-lynching legislation, the Constitution makes it the implied duty of the Federal government to take the reasonable steps provided in this measure."

This expresses the feeling not only of the Negro people but of democratic America which gave its emphatic and progressive mandate to Congress in 1936.

It is to be hoped that the speech was not made "for the record" in preparation of an acceptance of the defeat by the pirate filibusters and Northern reactionary Republicans. Instead, it should herald the beginning of an uncompromising and more aggressive drive by the progressive Senators to see that the bill becomes a law.

The defeat of the efforts of the Tory Senators to shelve the bill yesterday, shows that complete victory can be won if a vigorous fight is kept up for the measure both in and out of the Senate.

Labor and progressives throughout the country should open up with their main artillery for the passage of the anti-lynching bill. This is the way to victory for the full social program so vitally needed by the American people.

A WELCOME DEVELOPEMENT

During the Special Session of Congress the fascist-minded Liberty Leaguers tried to put over their 10-point hunger program, in open defiance of the progressive mandate of the American people.

The Wall Street errand boys who were assigned to steamroller this program through the session were such people as Senators Vandenberg of Michigan and Bailey of North Carolina. It was a platform designed to tighten the grip of the monopolies, the National Manufacturers Association, the National Chamber of Commerce and other Tory bandits on the lives of the people.

But a development yesterday indicates that the forces of progress and democracy in Congress are rapidly moving to the offensive. That development was the formation of a progressive bloc of 40 Congressmen from labor, farm and other sections of the nation. Maury Maverick of Texas, is chairman, and Thomas R. Amlie of Wisconsin, secretary of the group.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

* Feb. 20, 1938, promises to be one of the decisive days of present world developments. On that day Hitler will appear before the Nazi Reichstag to "explain" the top reorganization of the army and to rant about the immediate program of the German fascists. On that day, too, the deadline ends for a Japanese reply to the identical notes of the U. S., Britain and France which insisted that Tokio put its naval cards on the table.

The identity of the date may be purely accidental.

Hitler's "victory" over the older army general staff was a victory, if at all, for the fascist triple alliance, in that it forecast increased support to Mussolini for intervention in Spain, greater assistance to Japanese aggression in the Far East, and the imminent possibility of Nazi diversionary actions in Austria and Czechoslovakia to assist the general plan of the fascist war triangle.

Any form of collective representations to Japan's threat of swiftness its navy not only to conquer and hold all of China but to master the Pacific and extend its present war in a world war must have an impressive effect on der Fuehrer Hitler, Nippon's fascist ally. The moment chosen for the note was propitious to gain Berlin's as well as Tokio's attention. Instead of "solving" the deep-going internal economic-political-military crisis of Germany, Hitler has only capped the volcano by a compromise that may soon result in a worse and more violent eruption.

The identical insistence that Japan let the world know just how far she expects to go in the construction of naval instruments of death comes at a critical time for the Berlin difficulties and over the reverses in Spain for their allies. But they are still more anxious about the unceasing resistance of the Chinese people, the failure of the pro-Japanese Canton camp, and the fact that the entire Japanese plan of invasion in China is about to reach that point when the Japanese army and navy command feel that to go any further into China might cancel or dangerously hamper the larger war plans of Japanese imperialism.

In regard to the American note demanding information about Japan's naval construction program, it is indeed strange that the American imperialist jingoists who in 1922 and up to 1930, that is, from the Harding to the Hoover administration, had no objection to "collaboration" with the Nine Powers for purely imperialist aims, are the ones today who raise the greatest objection to President Roosevelt's joint representations with Britain and France against Japan's secret world war-inciting naval race.

The difference in the world situation today as compared to 1922 is the significant thing. In 1922 there was no fascist triple alliance. The conflict was between Japan, Britain and the United States for post-war hegemony. The Soviet Union was in a state of exhaustion after the civil war, and was the subject of the attacks of the then Secretary of State Charles Evans Hughes who was cooperating closely with British Tories and the French 200 rich families against the U.S.S.R.

The situation today is decisively different. Nazi Germany, fascist Italy and fascist-militarist Japan are in the actual process of inciting a new world war by their present aggressions in Ethiopia, China and Spain. Admittedly their attacks are against the democratic capitalist countries and against the Soviet Union. The interests of those Tory class forces such as the Hardings, the Hoovers, the Chamberlains, and the Poincares, who so ardently "collaborated" in 1922 are against co-operation for peace today because it would injure their main allies, the fascist triple alliance. Today the entire inner situation in the United States and France has changed compared to 1922. The New Deal has won a mandate from the people against the economic royalists, and that was also a thunderous mandate for peace, which President Roosevelt recognized could be achieved by collective security to attain world peace. And that is why the Ham Fishes, the Hearsts, the Tinkhams, the Hoovers today shout against U. S., British and French identical action in putting to Japan just two main propositions: (1) Tell the world what your intentions are about naval arms, and (2) To avoid a naval construction race, enter into discussions for limitation of armaments or some form of disarmament.

There can be no exaggeration today of the explosive nature of the present world situation. The Japanese fascists always attempted to "solve" their inner difficult political situations by military adventures in China. The news from Germany makes it clear that the Nazis are trying to distract the attention of the German people from what is happening under the very noses by threats of bloody adventures in Austria, Czechoslovakia or further penetration into Spain. The fascist triple alliance may jointly decide to "solve" its mutual problems on a world scale.

The British Tories, cable reports from London alarmingly inform us, instead of desiring extension of concerted action for peace with the democratic capitalist powers and the U. S., are making still more encouraging overtures to Mussolini and Hitler. Premier Neville Chamberlain has more affectionately than ever resumed his love-letter correspondence with the Pirate of the Mediterranean. The London cabinet is hastening new pro-Nazi negotiations on their way to win Hitler's favor.

Feb. 20 can be a turning point in world history, either to a shorter and swifter road taken by the fascists to world war, or by extension of collective security of the U. S., France, Britain and the U.S.S.R. to bring assurance of world peace.

The formation of this bloc represents the tremendous strides which are taking place in the development of an American People's Front. It expresses the growing unity among such organizations as the CIO, Labor's Non-Partisan League, progressive workers, middle class and Negro people in the last months.

Most especially does it reflect the solidarity rapidly being forged between labor and the farmers.

While working as an independent progressive force, the group can become the most aggressive and active fighters for the whole New Deal social program. It should rally other New Deal Congressmen and progressive Republicans to its ranks, thus strengthening the fight for the entire legislative needs of the people. This is the way to rout the Liberty League puppets in the Senate and the House.

The formation of this progressive bloc should be welcomed and supported by the American people.

FANNING THE FLAMES

by Dixon



Letters From Our Readers

'Beware of the Greeks Bearing Gifts'

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Tom Girdler, he who was responsible for the fiendish massacre of ten striking employees at the Republic Steel plant last Memorial Day, and for the brutal beating and crippling of many others; he who brazenly refused to acknowledge the legality or existence of the Wagner Labor Relations Act; he who behind closed doors of a recent session of the Manufacturers' Association at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel mapped out a program of sabotage against the Roosevelt Administration, has now come forward bearing the olive branch of peace with a plea that industry and government co-operate "in stemming the recession, in bringing back prosperity and spreading it as widely as possible."

The bloody record of Girdler speaks for itself so that when he calls for amicable relations between government and industry the old adage, "beware of Greeks bearing gifts," strikingly projects itself in one's mind.

Why the sudden change of heart? One may ask. Does Girdler really intend to abide by the Wagner Act and consider the demands of his employees? No, positively not. The recent barrage of Messrs. Ickes, Jackson and President Roosevelt against monopoly and those business men who flaunt the law has caused him to be jittery and fearful, knowing, as he does, that the verbal assaults are aimed at such as he. It is necessary for him to smoke-screen his sanguinary record by attempting to ally the administration by honeyed phrases of mutual understanding and co-operation.

Such chicanery will not work, Mr. Girdler. Though you may assume a benign mask, your cold-blooded dealings with your employees will never be condoned or obliterated from the mind of labor. Labor under the guidance and with the strength of the CIO will crash through your feudal domain as it will your crony Henry Ford and others of such stripe. D. C.

Tories of Old Like Pikers'

Barberton, Ohio.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It is with regret to note the sad conditions existing in Jersey City. But I am happy to note that the men and women who work and struggle in the sweatshops are beginning to organize.

The people of New Jersey were in the front ranks in the early history of our nation. They fought then that America could be free; that every man and woman could have freedom of thought, freedom of speech and the right to the pursuit of happiness. But it seems that in this day and time there are people who cry that we are civilized; these same people resort to acts against humanity that would make the Tories of old seem like pikers.

But the people of New Jersey, the workers, will organize. They will unite and they will be victorious. Against the barbarous persecutions of "I Am the Law" Hague, not forgetting that there are dozens of these Hagues and Tom Girdlers to fight with determination. The working men and women of Ohio are on the march and will join with the masses of New Jersey in fighting the foes of democracy. C. R. G.

Radio Artists Expose Plot That Attacked Labor—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This letter was sent to "The Aces," Station WJZ:

"Dear Radio Friends:
"Some time ago when you used a radio plot that included a ludicrous Santa Claus Union, I fortunately decided to send you a postal card in protest. I say fortunately, because, by your prompt letter of response and change of plot, you proved that this attack upon labor was wholly unintentional.

"At this moment in history, all working people are finding it necessary to band together to defend their living standards against steady encroachments. These unions that we form are subjected at all times to lying and deliberate attacks. I can cite the news reel, 'March of Time's' monstrous attack last month upon the seamen's unions. They pictured the seamen as surly brutes in a sit-down strike for twenty-four cases of beer, ignoring the real issues of overcrowded quarters, long hours and unsafe conditions such as caused the Morro Castle disaster. Harold Gray and Percy Crosby are two cartoonists who evidently enjoy the work of depicting trade unionists as rabble. Yet Thomas Dewey found honest union men indispensable in his 'racket busting'.

"If you continue to maintain your present interest in 'listener reaction,' you will find that you will please nine-tenths of the people of America who are the working and consuming public. Any product that sponsors you will benefit. R. E. P."

Gives Prize Money to Daily Worker—

Editor, Daily Worker:

From time to time I have been approached for solicitations of funds for a number of good causes. There has been funds to aid Loyalist Spain, funds for the Daily Worker drives, funds to help keep the New Masses afloat, funds for Marxian educational work, and so on. Nine times out of ten I have been broke and unable to contribute a cent. I had to drop my subscription to New Masses, and I felt that I might be unable to pay two bucks I owed the Daily Worker in December. However, that has been fortunately taken care of.

Well, I entered the essay contest given by Soviet Russia Today remarking at the time to a comrade that I would give a generous slice of the prize money to the Party in case I won the first prize. Of course, that was a big expectation, but it was a pleasant incentive. It did turn out that I won a minor prize, to be numbered among the also-rans. I am pleased to give the check to the Daily Worker, having confidence that it will be used where it is needed most. I might be able to give it to the Party locally, but I am an underground member. The boys don't look me up very often, partly as a policy of protection to me. I am not active enough to know just what the units are doing or not doing. I would risk exposure in having that check cashed here, so I believe that it is very satisfactory for all concerned to donate that check to the Daily Worker. A READER.

What Would Washington And Lincoln Think—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The double commemoration in the month of February of the birthdays of two national figures of first magnitude offer to every thoughtful citizen an excellent opportunity for appraising the general level of living conditions as imposed on the nation by finance and monopoly capital.

Hardly anyone can miss observing that the span of one hundred and fifty years of republican government, together with the material bounties of a rich territory, are strong facts that lead one to the conclusion that by this date all the people now living in the United States should be enjoying a fairly high degree of security, political as well as economical. Yet reality tells a different story.

Instead of economic freedom the people live under the heavy yoke of a financial oligarchy that has monopolized all land and the most important means of production and distribution of the necessities for life. Instead of efficient and economic government they are getting top-heavy with red-tape and exorbitantly expensive municipal, state and national administrations. While a disproportionately small minority of rich people live in sumptuous and spacious mansions the major portion of the population has to endure great discomfort inside close, squalid rooms in dilapidated tenement houses and in filthy shacks. Farming has been degraded by the greed of speculators and the avarice of money-lending bankers. Instead of an all-embracing improvement in the quality of life the majority of the people find themselves reduced to concentrating every effort in a brutalizing day-to-day struggle for food sufficient merely to keep alive. Instead of an intellectual environment nourishing the creative powers of their hidden capacities much of their latent intelligence is forced to be the beggar of privilege. The press, with issues of millions of copies, voices exclusively the selfish interests of property, profits and privilege. Not culture but sensationalism and triviality irradiate from its pages. No wonder, then, that disillusion, bewilderment and unrest are creeping upon the mind of the American people.

Oh, the shades of Lincoln and Washington, what are they thinking as they view the panorama of the American scene today? A. G. D.

'American People Backing Collective Security'

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

"Collective security is a 'red' plot," so says Professor Cox, professor of ethics at Fordham University, in a speech before the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems.

"And who do you think was father of the collective security plan for the U. S.?" asks Father Cox. "None other than Earl Browder, secretary of the Communist Party."

From this he concludes that collective security is bad for the American people because it is "a red plan inviting financial imperialism against the U. S. by outside powers."

President Roosevelt in his Chicago speech confirmed the logic of collective security. The American people are backing the President's stand. H. PRINCE.

Change the World

The Weekly Diary
Of an Anti-Tobacco
Crusader
by MIKE GOLD

SUNDAY—Curses on New York! It's the most urbanized city in the world. Nobody without a car can get out into the country easily on a Sunday. Well, we do the best we can. We went walking in Spanish Harlem, that reminds one, with its vitality, color, and camaraderie, of the old East Side. Ate lunch at the Julio Mella club, where Comrade Chef puts out the best Cuban dishes you can find this side of Havana. There was a meeting above the restaurant for Cuban boys who'd come back from Spain and the International Brigade. What fine, poetic oratory, what optimism these lads displayed, talking to their people Latin-Americans all seem to have a dash of the artistic in them; and a natural dignity. The individual respects himself, and you respect him, too. I always enjoy being among them, and as for their music, I confess to being a fanatic, and could lose myself in it for weeks.

Monday—Does anybody on the Medical Board know a good sure-fire method to stop smoking? Every few months I try, and try again. Once I stopped for a year; but all the while still had bluish and painful dreams at night of smoking. It's as hard a drug to give up. I imagine, as cocaine must be. Am not a Puritan on the subject, but it affects my health badly. Any hard smoker will tell you the same. But the tobacco companies push out an enormous propaganda to make youth believe that cigarettes help one to be an opera singer, a champion boxer, a famous writer, skier, billiard player or what-not. They even have worked on the women to form the habit; and it's all the bunk, and I haven't smoked all day, and now writing about it has made me so desperate I've fished out an old butt from the waste basket and lit up! Bah!

Tuesday—There is a false Pollyanna optimism. It can only sustain itself by shutting its eyes to reality. It is really an escape from life. Revolutionary optimism is different. It knows the worst about life, but still is heroically hopeful. In the midst of hell, it goes on building a heaven. Communists have such optimism deep in their bones. That's why, in every great people's crisis today, the Communists invariably form a core of discipline and intelligent planning—Spain, China, France, Germany, Italy. They never lose hope. I can feel this spirit even in my own party branch, where only humble neighborhood problems are the main agenda. Some of the slanders should attend such unit meetings, and learn what makes Communism tick. Communists are people who see in the dark.

Wednesday—Saw Odets' play "Golden Boy," and must confess I was disappointed. Disappointment is what makes a horse race; and it seems to be the chief factor in play-criticism, too. Well, one can only record one's reactions. I thought this play, except for several inspired character bits, was no darn much like "Kid Galahad," a Saturday Evening Post story I once read, that it scared me. Twenty other Broadway playwrights could have signed it; but Odets has more to him than this, I still believe.

Thursday—Listened in to the Town Hall forum tonight, where Clarence Hathaway had to debate Salvador Madrigal, Isaac Don Levine and Max Lerner on democracy. Our comrade was in a tough spot; but kept the ball moving. It isn't easy to combat demagogues. You try to be as honest, concrete and responsible as you can. But they are irresponsible, and can therefore use every rhetorical gas Levine and Madrigal are this type; though the Spaniard, while Levine bellows. Imagine this Levine being taken seriously by anyone! A Hearst stooge, he dares assume the Anarchist position in debates like this! Which disgusts me, for surely Kropotkin, Elise Reclus and even old Hippolyte Havel were men of nobler minds than this loud-mouthed opportunist. Anarchism is a revolutionary theory, however much we disagree with it; and no honest anarchist would ever be paid by Hearst to write articles in his paper every day. Hearst employs Levine, not for his "anarchism," but for his sabotage and befouling of the working-class revolution. Good Lord, isn't it obvious enough?

Column Left

Wherein Our
Soft Answer
Turneth Away Roth
by HARRISON GEORGE

THINK of it! The California newspaper publishers met in convention last Saturday at Riverside, and didn't invite us! Not since Vice-President Curtis' sister didn't get her rightful seat at official dinners has there been such an outrage of the proprietaries!

But we might contribute something by remote control, as we note that Mr. Roth, whose corporation publishes the San Jose Mercury-Herald, presiding at the convention, lifted up his voice and spake.

Mr. Roth lamented last year's "4,000 strikes." He counted 'em. And the "loss of 26,000,000 days employment." He modestly failed to even mention that the employers lost, too; the unions having cut the working day down by something like a billion hours and gaining \$1,000,000,000 more in the pay envelope, by striking.

Taking out his pencil, Mr. Roth figured that 58 per cent of the strikes "arose out of disputes involving the right of representation on the part of labor." This, he said, "indicates that the Wagner Act has not been very successful."

Umm... Now that you mention it, Mr. Roth, might it not be because the employers "created the 'disputes'" by refusing to recognize the union representation elected under the Wagner Act? How come you blame that on the Wagner Act, and not on the employers who violate it?

And you don't even mention amending the Wagner Act to punish these employers who violate it. On the contrary, you propose a string of amendments to turn the Act against unionism.

One of them is that striking and picketing, or even contributing to a political campaign, shall be illegal for any union unless voted for by a majority of union members. Sounds good, and democratic. But let's see; times without number, Mr. Roth, when huge majorities have voted to strike, you employers nevertheless insist that their strike is illegal!

So it would turn out like this: If striking is done without a majority vote, the government would declare it illegal. If a strike is called with a majority vote, the employers (and their police and judicial tools) would consider and treat it as illegal, anyway. Just what kind of a strike would you approve of, Mr. Roth?

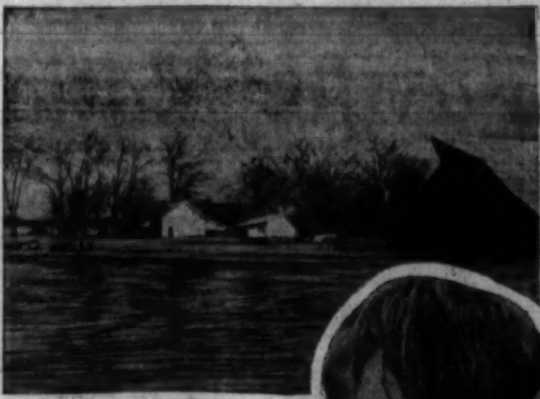
As to "contributions in political campaigns"—you newspaper publishers should remain silent on such delicate subjects, you say all people. Then you want the Wagner Act to make it illegal for any union to "refuse to supply periodic statements of union finances." Again we agree. The only thing we might add is that unions already do just that, only they forget to send a copy of their financial report to the Chamber of Commerce. They think giving it to union members is sufficient. And we strongly suspect you raise this false issue to help you carry your other anti-labor proposals through Congress along with this one.

But finances are interesting in more ways than one. You newspaper publishers make a great claim to being responsible to the public. Why not have a law compelling newspapers to publish the items of their income and expenses; such as how much Hearst gets from Hitler, or Chandler from Pitts; how much in bribes in the form of "advertisements" from corporations that never sell a dime's worth through such ads; how much is paid to break the Newspaper Guild, or put a spy in the printers' union?

Come, take down your hair, Mr. Roth, and tell all. And let us weep with you that the 98-day Pacific Coast maritime strike in 1937 cost "from \$200,000,000 to \$700,000,000." You say the Boulder Dam and both San Francisco bridges might not cost nearly so much.

We agree. And so we think it would have been lots cheaper to have bought all the newspapers which supported the lockout answered by that strike and changed them from shipowners' propaganda sheets into real newspapers.

Story of the Mississippi



'The River' Indicts Private Power Utilities

By David Platt

Magnificent is the only word for this 3-reel Farm Security Administration documentary on Soil Conservation and Flood Control now playing at the Criterion Theatre.

Beautifully written and directed by Pare Lorentz, producer of the previous government soil-erosion film, "The Plough That Broke the Plains," and brilliantly photographed by Willard Van Dyke of Frontier Films, "The River" is the most powerful propaganda for government control of the privately-owned power utilities along the Mississippi, without which effective flood control is just talk.

Using images of stark, dramatic power and heightened by a superb musical score, the film tells the story of the Mississippi from the days of the Reconstruction post-civil war era, to the Tennessee Valley Authority of today.

Naturally, it doesn't answer every question that will arise in connection with this tremendous subject; it fails to identify the notorious absence of serious flood control with the presence of the Morgan and Mellon controlled power trusts, but it succeeds powerfully well in developing one major theme:

"You cannot plan for water unless you plan for land. You cannot plan for land unless you plan for people."

The film tracks the subject without equivocation and with imagination: America planned neither for water, nor for land nor for people for the entire fifty years after the Civil War. "We fought the war and kept the west bank of the Mississippi free of slavery. We cut the top off Wisconsin and sent the lumber shooting down the river. We cut the top off Minnesota and sent it down. We stripped the Alleghenies bare and moved on."

"We made cotton king. We rolled a million bales down the river from Liverpool to Leeds. Rolled them off Alabama. Rolled them off Mississippi. Rolled them off Louisiana. Rolled them down the river."

"For fifty years we dug for cotton and moved west when the land gave out. We planned and ploughed with no regard for the future. We built a new continent. We built 100 cities and 1,000 towns but at what a cost!"

FLOODS! The reckless destruction of the forests, the ruthless ploughing up of so much unnecessary land without regard for the future, resulted in the great Mississippi.

Music

By Martin McCall

Victor Records Include Voice, Piano and Orchestral Selections

The Victor Co. has been making frequent releases of selections by the young Hungarian coloratura, Miliza Korjus. The releases of a year ago, as of the "Queen of the Night" aria from Mozart's "Magic Flute," were the finest. Recently, they have been varying in quality. A current record, however, of the Bell Song and the Prayer from Act I of Delibes' "Lakme" (12136) regains the old matchless execution and unwavering purity of tone. Delibes' melancholy and refined orientalism to supply the proper warmth and emotional gradations. The Korjus has now taken to the movies, and reports indicate that she is coming and that Hollywood at short last has contracted her.

Vladimir Horowitz's piano recordings maintain the standard they have set for unusual fidelity. The newest, a recording of Chopin's Scherzo No. 4 in E major (Op. 54) (Victor 14634), actually sounds as if it is played on a piano. The performance is distinguished, and brooks no quibbling.

The French composer, Chabrier, who flourished at the turn of the century, left his mark on every pre-war French composer of note, and homage to him is shouted from many famous scores by the younger men. But the essential kind of feeling of the earlier composer was never captured. Nowadays, the "Espana" Rhapsodie is heard rather than listened to. Its *fin de siècle* mind-set, bright and unfettered, is as remote and pleasant today as Thames "Water Music" or Vieuxtemps "Serenade." It is played by Arthur Schnabel in a new Victor release (4570).



Scenes from "The River" depict the destruction of floods, its child victims and adequate flood control.

Mississippi floods of 1854, 1899, 1913, 1927, 1936, 1937—the worst in our history. 85 per cent of the rainfall which under normal conditions would be held tight by the forests and the top-soil swept down into the streams that fed the Mississippi. Fed it disaster. The cost cannot be calculated in dollars and cents but in lives lost and ruined. The film provides the pictures—and the figures: Millions impoverished. Pictures of families uprooted from the earth and set adrift without a dime, headed for a dismal future; pictures showing the horrible effect of disaster on the faces of children; pictures of share-croppers, hardest hit of all; pictures of the river—the richest in the world—smashing everything in its path including the hopes of doubly oppressed Negro farmers. Pictures showing that 40 per cent of the farmers along the Mississippi are tenant farmers; 10 per cent share-

Death Plays the Lead In New Broadway Fantasy

'On Borrowed Time' Perversely Twists the Significance of Life to Suit Author's Purpose

"ON BORROWED TIME," By Paul Osborn. From the novel by Lawrence Sanders. Produced by Dwight Deere Wiman. Directed by Joshua Logan. Settings by Jo Mielziner. Longacre Theatre.

By John Cambridge
"Men fear death," said Bacon, "as children fear to go into the dark."

But not in Mr. Paul Osborn's play. In the fantasy now playing at the Longacre Theatre death is personified as a kindly gentleman, about forty years of age, clean-shaven, and dressed in a soft hat, dark suit, and mackintosh. He has much understanding, gentleness, and hypnotic power. As opposed to him life seems hard and cruel as a rule, and frequently irrational.

Just because the argument of this play tells in favor of death rather than life it is a decadent and vicious work. Perhaps the writer had no intention other than the creation of one of those pleasant, fantastic nothings, which are almost invariably labelled "delightful." The result, however, beneath all the excellent acting, gentle direction, beautiful sets, and atmosphere of warm comedy is morbid.

The story is chiefly concerned with kindly old Julian Northrup and his little grandson, Pud. Death, in the person of Mr. Beink, the soft-hatted gentleman before referred to, takes away the boy's parents and his grandmother, and is about to take away old Julian too. The old man knows that Pud will be left to the spinster mercies of an aunt, and, therefore, he contrives to chase Mr. B. up an apple tree. Death stops all over the world, and then, according to the play, man wants death to carry on his natural function. Doctors, sheriffs, and others plead with Grandfather to allow Mr. Brink to come down. When grandfather finally agrees to do so, and we know that the old man is next on the list, and that Pud will be consigned to the aunt, the dramatist obviously wants his audience to hope that Julian and Pud will not be divided. He sees to it that the child dies.

who prefer any opiate to the hard reality of the world. Since the opiate is administered also in so warm and humorous a form, it may be calculated to find a considerable audience among those who toll not, nor spin, and who personify the most sickly plants of a decaying social system.

For the rest of us, the masses, it is enough to regret that so much talent has been so perversely spent. As the grandfather, Dudley Digges was most ingratiating, and proved yet once more what an excellent actor he is. Dorothy Stickney, as Granny, was fair as a young woman playing an old one, Jean Adair as the aunt was biting and for the most part believable, and Frank Conroy as Mr. Brink gave a quiet performance that fulfilled the requirements of the part. The outstanding performance was that of Peter Holden as Pud, the child. Master Holden is seven years old, and was astonishingly good. Nevertheless I wished he was safe home in bed.

THE WEAKLING

Death is a phenomenon of nature like every other, and there is no saying what a science, emancipated under socialism, may do about all natural phenomena, but at present it is only the tired and the defeated who can see death as more attractive than life. The appeal of this play, therefore, must be to those

The Bakunists at Work: A Memorandum on the Spanish Uprising of 1873 (a valuable document hitherto untranslated), by Frederick Engels.

Building the People's Front in Harlem, by James Ford and George Blake.

Farm Support Grows in the Movement for the People's Front, by Jerry Coleman.

The Health Status of American Workers, by Harriet Silverman.

Y. C. L. Lincoln Rally

A memorable Lincoln Rally is planned by the Young Communist League, Bronx County for Friday evening, February 11th. An extensive program will include greetings from Carl Ross, National Executive Secretary of the YCL, on behalf of the National Council.

Dramatic presentations, community singing and an address by Al Steele, on "Youth in the Borough of Universities" will climax the event which will be held at P. S. 75, Whitlock & Fells Sts.

New Film Proves Need for Gov't Flood Control

croppers living in squalor unknown to the poorest peasants of Europe. Pictures of millions of acres of land forever ruined. Pictures of dust storms. Pictures of poverty. Death. This is the first part of the story of "The River." The second takes up another major theme: "We had the power to take the valley apart. We have the power to put it together again."

Adequate Flood Control

The Farm Security Administration proposes to put the Valley together again by pushing the Tennessee Valley Authority deep into the heart of the Mississippi, providing flood control as well as cheap electricity for millions who never knew the meaning of the word because of the extortionate rates of the private utilities. The F.S.A. proposes through the CCC to rejuvenate certain available portions of the eroded land; "Poor land makes poor people. Poor people make poor land."

The serious fault of this otherwise invaluable film is that it fails to place the responsibility for the "poor land" that makes "poor people." Floods are not acts of God. Emancipation have proved time and again that the Mississippi can be chained for all time. Who, then, are the saboteurs? Who else but the Power Trusts? To the Morgans and Mellons, flood control means cheap electric power—the end of privately owned electric power corporations.

Hasn't the government already expended the horrible plunder of the utilities by demonstrating that power can be produced and sold 50 to 75 per cent cheaper than the private companies. It explains their hatred of the TVA.

The film, unfortunately, does not contain a single word to indicate what President Roosevelt meant when he referred to the "four inch waggings a ninety-six inch dog." The "River," would have gained its tremendously high place in the responsibility for the decline of the Mississippi squarely and unhesitatingly on the four inch tale. By so doing, the Farm Security Administration would have brought to light the difficulty, if not the impossibility, of planning for people without first taking care of the entrenched reactionaries who are opposed to planning either for water, land or people.

As it is, it is still one of the greatest documentary films ever made. Don't miss it.

Trichinosis Discussed In "Health and Hygiene"

Recent Deaths Caused by Bad Meat Makes Article Timely

The headlines have carried the story that two persons have died of trichinosis, a disease caused by eating pork products not properly cooked. Eight others were made gravely ill by uncooked cured ham bought in a butcher shop on the West Side. An investigation disclosed that all had eaten the ham without further cooking.

One out of every eight persons in America—17,000,000 people in all—carry within them the parasitic worms known as trichinae which thrive in the flesh of garbage-fed hogs, according to an article entitled "Trichinosis from Eating Pork" in the current (February) issue of HEALTH and HYGIENE.

The reason that this situation does not cause greater alarm is that trichinosis, the disease caused by the trichinae, does not affect all people with equal severity. Although a great many people are made seriously ill and many even die, many are affected to only a slight degree.

Science has not yet found a cure for trichinosis, but as the article points out it could be prevented by putting a stop to the practice of feeding pigs on garbage. A large percentage of the pigs raised in the United States are fed in this manner, many cities selling their garbage to pig farmers rather than incinerating it.

The individual may safeguard himself, says HEALTH and HYGIENE, by never eating pork that is not thoroughly cooked. Thorough cooking kills the trichinae and renders the meat safe.

The real answer to the problem, however, lies in preventing the use of garbage as food for hogs.

Other articles in the February HEALTH and HYGIENE are: "What Not To Do For a Cold—and What To Do," "Diet and Sex," "Help for the Stutterer," "Have Sun Lamps Any Value?" "First Aid for Winter Sportsmen," "After the Sanatorium—What?" and "Childbirth through the Ages."

Hollywood Inside Out

Publisher of Hollywood Trade Paper Moans Producers' Blues.

By Don Blackwell

Billy Wilkerson, dapper editor and publisher of The Hollywood Reporter, the unofficial mouthpiece of the studio big shots, appears to be an advocate of the old biblical theory of letting your right hand know what your left hand doeth. For weeks now the ambidextrous Mr. Wilkerson has been moaning in the Tradeviews about the sad condition of the picture industry, holding forth in hollow tones about box office slumps and predicting a dire future for Hollywood, with special emphasis on the inevitable salary slump destined to hit all creative and technical workers; particularly those whose position in the industry has been substantially improved under the Wagner Labor Relations Act. But alongside these doleful dissertations have been a succession of news stories giving glowing reports on the box office triumphs of a flock of new pictures.

"In previous years," Wilkerson states, "business has been so that studios have not worried about this March state tax, but this year it's different, entirely different. The plants have to worry (or should) about every nickel and for the first time within our knowledge production is being hampered not so much to beat the tax but in the spirit of economy now demanded because of the lowered ticket sales." (Italics ours.)

In the same issue of the Reporter, on the same page were four very interesting items. They follow:

Item one, from New York: "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs ended its first week at the Music Hall with a gross of \$105,000."

Item two, from Miami, Florida: "The Mayfair Theatre opened last night with 20th Century's 'In Old Chicago,' and played to a capacity house with as many standees as the law would allow."

Item three, from Los Angeles: "The Hurricane starts on its second week at Warners Hollywood and Dewey's shows after grossing a smash \$35,000 for its first week at both houses."

Standing Room Only

Item four, from New York again: "Samuel Goldwyn has made a swell deal for the premiere of Goldwyn Follies, having secured a guarantee of \$150,000 for a five-week engagement at the Rivoli Theatre."

And so it goes. In subsequent issues of the trade sheet, we learn that In Old Chicago is playing to S.R.O. in New York; that First Lady did so well in Baltimore that it is being held over for a second week; that in Philadelphia, Bridgeport and several other cities, Traviata did sensational business on its second week; that the new Sonja Henie film, Happy Landings, took in \$35,000 over the weekend in New York, with queues a block long waiting to get into the theatre.

And to top it all comes a dispatch from Washington with the following facts and figures: "Federal admission tax collection hit a new high in December, the total being \$2,590,077. This is \$47,500 more than the November total and nearly \$98,000 over the receipts for December, 1936."

Figures don't lie, so the saying goes. Which makes the thoughtful wonder why Mr. Wilkerson keeps on singing the blues. The answer is that he is contributing his humble share to the systematic campaign of fear and hysteria being waged by the top executives of the movie industry, along with Big Business in general, with the hope of scaring motion picture workers into taking salary cuts that can't be imposed any other way?

'A Greater Promise' in Brooklyn

"A Greater Promise," will be shown at the New Broadway Theatre, 246 Broadway, Brooklyn near Marcy Ave. beginning Tuesday through Friday. This picture was produced in celebration of the second anniversary of Birobidjan's autonomy and is dedicated to the Soviet workers responsible for the upbuilding of the Jewish Province in the U. S. S. R.

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Syphilis in the New Born

There is perhaps one aspect of syphilis control that many people overlook when they think of the problem. This is the existence of syphilis in the new born or congenital syphilis. This condition is not inherited from a syphilitic parent but is acquired from a mother already infected while she is carrying her baby within her body. This condition is a frequent cause of still births as well as of illness and of invalidism in babies that are born alive. It is a frequent cause of death in infants. The figures available indicate that about 4,000 syphilitic babies are born each year and that there are about 5,000 syphilitic still births a year in New York State.

A bill introduced at Albany would attempt to correct this state of affairs. If this bill should be passed, every pregnant woman would be required to have a Wasserman or other blood test for syphilis. The value of such a measure lies in the fact that if a syphilitic pregnant woman undergoes a simple course of treatment before her fifth month of pregnancy her baby will, in almost every case, be born alive and well. If the test is made too late to start treatment, at least the mother's condition will be known and if the baby is born alive, his treatment can be started immediately after birth, with a good chance for cure. In addition the mother can undergo treatment to protect herself as well as her next child.

Playwriting Class at Y. C. L.

William Zeln, author of several plays, will conduct a class in playwriting at the Young Communist League beginning February 12 at the office of the YCL, 50 East 12th Street.

The course, which is being limited to only 10 persons, will concentrate on developing plays written by and for young people. Registration for the class is now taking place under the direction of Kenneth Greenberg.

Dance Unit School Opens

The Dance Unit, well-known dance group, has just announced the opening of its school at 121 East 18th St. Registration is now going on for classes in modern dance technique and ballet for beginners and intermediate dancers. There are special classes for men on the schedule.

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7:00 and 9:30—E.M. Madrid, Spain, on 9.88 m., 21-m. short wave band
7:00-WFAP—Burns and Allen; Tennyson
7:00-WFAP—Voice of France, Concert
7:30-WFAP—Voice of France; Richard Crooks, Alfred Wallenstein's Othello
8:00-WFAP—Grand Hotel, Drama
9:00-WFAP—Philadelphia Orchestra, Eugene Ormandy, Conductor
9:00-WABC—Lux Radio Theatre, Dramatic and Musical
9:30-WFAP—News
9:30-WFAP—Two Harpists Orchestra
9:30-WFAP—News
9:30-WFAP—Walls Bernards
9:45-WFAP—Deutsche Orchestra
10:00-WOR—Sports
10:00-WFAP—New York Post on Parade
10:00-WFAP—Burns and Allen
10:30-WFAP—Voice of France, Concert
10:30-WFAP—Voice of France, Concert
10:30-WFAP—Hour of Charm
10:45-WQXR—Sidney Kaufman, Music Commentator
10:50-WFAP—Variation Continued
PROGRAM
11:00-WFAP—Freddie Martin's Orch.
9:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.—WNYC—The Masterwork Hour
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ON THE SCOREBOARD



By LESTER RODNEY

(Sports columnist "Lefty" of the People's World of San Francisco sent in the following contribution about Mayor Hague. He thinks it carries a very practical suggestion for Jersey's Little Hitler, and as the Daily Worker operates closer to Hagueville than does the People's World, feels we ought to run it in all fairness to Hague.—Ed.)

LEFTY hates to disturb Mayor Frank Hague in his career of terrorizing the hapless borough over which he exercises his strong-arm dictatorship, but he is afraid Fuchrer Hague has over-looked a great opportunity in the world of sports.

Professional wrestling would be a cinch for the man who has invented the most spectacular "Red" scare this country has known since Mrs. O'Leary's cow gazed angrily on a scarlet apron and kicked over that famous kerosene lamp.

Frank (you don't mind if LEFTY calls you Frank, will you?) you have all that it takes to become a big-time wrestler. Almost as big as Jim Londos, Gorilla Man Rasputin or Man Mountain Dean.

A Box Office Wow

THE first qualification for a successful wrestler, Frankie, is to be able to howl as loud as a diva who is denied her curtain call, at nothing worse than sand in your spinach. If you can convince any share of the public that you are undergoing the most frightful anguish since Prometheus was tacked down on the Caucasus, you'll be a box-office smash.

And you can do that, Frank, you know you can. Think of your speeches! "The menace of Communism will never touch Jersey City. The Communist CIO will not set one foot in MY city!" It would be a howling success in the ring.

You could be billed as the "White Terror" and go around hunting Red Men—Navajos, Putes, Cherokees and the like—to demolish amid bleats and bellows.

Mock Heroics

THEN the next thing a professional wrestler has to be good at—and you qualify here, too, Frank—is phony heroics. He has to pose as the champion of South Salt Lake City or the upper Snoqualmie Flats. Your gag lines about protecting "substantial" America from the menace of "irresponsible" trade unions fits this to a T.

Then no good wrestler ever pays any attention to the rules. He gouges, kicks, slugs and will even descend to the abysmal depths of putting carpet tacks in the ring or throwing the referee into the press-box. You pass muster in this qualification, Frank; you've gouged the Declaration of Independence, slugged the authority of the courts and thrown the Bill of Rights clear out of the auditorium.

Can He Howl?

NOW one of the most important requirements is to be able to howl, roar and groan in a most agonizing manner, but I don't think there's any doubt but that you're a past master at that. Finally, you have to fake a lot of matches and pull some phony deals that would put the Los Angeles police department to shame.

There's only one hitch in the whole proposition, Frank, and otherwise you'd be a cinch to really go places in the racket.

Crooked as it is, the wrestling racket recognizes some sorts of fitness it won't stoop to. So it's just possible—mind, LEFTY doesn't say it's probable—that the wrestling promoters wouldn't let you in.

After all, there's a sort of honor among thieves which you might not understand.

Negro Sportswriter Looks Over the Athletic Scene

By BUSTER MILLER

The recent ban slapped on Jesse Owens' basketball team by the National A.A.U. begins to look like persecution. Next thing we know, anyone seen walking down the street with Owens will be subject to arrest on a charge of contempt of the A.A.U. . . . Ossie Stewart, new Negro midgetweight sensation, has scored five straight KOs since he hit town. . . . Morgan will beat Lincoln at Renaissance Casino next Thursday night. . . . Joe Louis fans will be glad to hear that the champ has recovered some of his old-time killer instinct. His sparmates are yelling murder at the beatings he is handing out in training sessions.

Boxborough definitely apines that story of martial trouble by announcing that Joe and his wife will sail for Europe after the Mann fight.

Damon Runyon passes on an entirely gratuitous insult to Negroes in his Friday column. Of course it was sent in by a contributor, but Runyon didn't have to print the offensive phrase. Guys who work for a decent wage should all sense of fair play. . . .

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CHINA RELIEF RALLY, featuring Sam-Bell Fashion Show. **Speakers:** Miss Mary Mason, Jack Chen, Joseph Bradley, Rev. A. Clayton Powell, Jr., Corlies Lamont, Lewis Merrill, Eleanor Johnson. **Time:** Wed. Feb. 28, 8:30. **Place:** Hotel Center, 168 W. 42nd St. **Adm. 50¢.**

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DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1938

Parley Paves Way for National Labor A.A.

St. John's-NYU Clash Heads Court Slate

The long awaited clash between St. John's University of Brooklyn and New York University headlines the basketball activity in New York during the week. The Redmen and Violets, top teams in the local area so far this season, collide in the ninth college basketball double-header of the season in Madison Square Garden on Wednesday night.

Both teams have been up against southern opposition, but St. John's seems to have gotten the better of the bargain. The Redmen topped Duke the other day while the Violets have only managed to come out victorious against Maryland, dropping contests to Richmond and North Carolina.

On the same program is the renewal of the equally traditional court struggle between City College and Fordham, which marks the first appearance of the Rams on the Garden floor in more than a year. City College has beaten Fordham 15 times in 21 attempts but last winter the Maroon trounced City, 31 to 17, up on the Rose Hill floor and that has been a sore point with Nat Holman's charges ever since then.

Long Island U. will also play three games this week meeting St. Thomas in the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy tomorrow night, and the invading the Fordham gym on Friday night for a clash with the Rams and then Earlham in Brooklyn Saturday. New York U. in addition to its game with St. John's must face the undefeated Rutgers five in the Heights gymnasium Friday night and then tackle Temple's great combine in Convention Hall, Philadelphia, on Saturday night. On the same program in Philadelphia St. John's will seek to repeat last year's overtime win over St. Joseph's.

The clash between New York U. and St. John's will in all likelihood be the deciding one in any claim to local title claims. Both squads have been moving at an impressive pace since December setbacks in the Garden by Big Ten teams. The Redmen failed to hold an early lead and lost to Illinois and N.Y.U. a week later just failed to nip Minnesota by a late rally in a game that saw the Violets get only eight baskets out of 82 shots.

Not since that night have the Violets had such a poor time in firing at the hoop for N.Y.U. have averaged 47 points per game over the season, only once falling below the 40 point total. The Heights five has won its last four starts against St. John's but the current Redmen are without doubt the strongest to represent the Lewis Ave. institution since the "Wonder Five."

Big Ten Grid Champ Coming Up?



Bill DeCorse, 19-year-old football sensation of Austin High School, Chicago, meets Lynn Waldorf who will be his coach at Northwestern University. The young gridiron phenom received offers from many colleges before he announced his intentions of attending Northwestern.

I.W.O. Five Heads for Crown With 51-20 Win Over T.W.U.

Reed's 17 Points Lead All-Stars to Easy Triumph

The International Workers Order All-Stars put on another sparkling display of the kind of basketball that's keeping them on top of the Trade Union Athletic Association B League, defeating the Transport Workers Union, 51-20, in the first game of double-header at the Institutional Synagogue Saturday night.

The other contest saw the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, Local 1206, squeak through with a close 23-27 victory over the United Wholesale Employees.

It was all the T.W.U. could do to stay in the game as Willie Reed and Mario Palanque dumped in point after point to give the I.W.O. a 23-6 lead at the half. Reed was the high scorer for the game, running up the grand total of seventeen points.

Despite the beautiful passing display put on by the Transport Workers, they just couldn't get the ball up to the basket as the I.W.O. kept raining shots from every part of the court to keep up that five game winning streak.

Exciting isn't the word for the second game. The lead kept changing hands in the second half until

GAMES FOR SPAIN!

Friday, March 4, is the date. Three thrilling basketball games for Spain will be held at the St. Nicholas Palace that evening.

Two exciting trade union contests and a professional fray will comprise the action. Reports have it that the Furriers and the Teachers Union will mix it up in one of the two labor games and the I.W.O. five will face the Fur Floor Boys in the other one. Information about the affair can be obtained from Manny Wideroff at the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

The U. W. E. pulled away and it looked like the game. Then the "Radio Local" dumped in some beautiful shots to bring things up to 27-26 and a moment later took the game.

Little Abe Spivack and Jack Koslosky led the scoring for the winners with seven points apiece while George Feinberg of the losers topped them all with twelve.

Only four members of the Association of Workers in Public Relief

'Radio Local' Takes Close Decision from U.W.E.

Agencies Squad put in appearance: so the Fur Floor Boys, Local 125, took the game by a forfeit.

(First Game)		Transport Workers	
I.W.O. (51)	G. F. P.	U.W.E. (20)	G. F. P.
Reed, 17	17	Reed, 17	17
Palanque, 10	10	Palanque, 10	10
Spivack, 10	10	Spivack, 10	10
Koslosky, 8	8	Koslosky, 8	8
Feinberg, 12	12	Feinberg, 12	12
Wideroff, 12	12	Wideroff, 12	12
TOTALS 51	20	TOTALS 20	51

Lots of Action on BronxYCL Courts

Action, and plenty of it, seems to be the already six quintets have been doing the Bronx Y. C. L. proud on the local courts with a wide assortment of exciting basketball games.

At present the Atlas A. C. and the Coop Branch are on top of the Bronx Branch, but there's no telling what will happen in the next few days. And there's still plenty of room for more teams to join in the fun.

The standings are as follows:

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.
Atlas A. C.	2	0	1.000
Coop.	1	0	1.000
Dan Shays	1	1	.500
Mit Young	1	1	.500
John Reed	0	1	.000
Hunts Point	0	1	.000

New Heavy 'Find' Here

Jack Kearns, former manager of Jack Dempsey, arrived yesterday with his latest heavyweight "find," Jimmy Adamick of Detroit.

Adamick has earned the description "Knockout Artist," and Kearns hopes promoter Mike Jacobs will accept him as a title contender. The abrupt about-face of Tommy Farr in signing to fight Max Baer on March 11, cut Adamick out of a test with Baer.

Reds Get Frey

CINCINNATI, Feb. 5 (UP).—The Cincinnati Reds tonight announced purchase of infielder Lonnie Frey from the Chicago Cubs. It was a straight cash transaction with no other players involved.

The Reds also announced release of infielder Jimmy Outlaw to the Los Angeles Angels of the Pacific Coast League.

IWO Court Fans Look to Sat. Nite

The Harlem Crestons broke a first place tie and took the top spot in Intermediate Division of the International Workers Order basketball tournament with a 31-19 victory over the strong Iwops quintet yesterday morning.

The victory, the fifth in a row for the Crestons, puts them in a position to clinch the Intermediate crown next Saturday when they meet the Yonkers Twigs in preliminary game to the long awaited clash between the Senior Division All-Stars and the Depression Five from Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

The Luserna Boys are undefeated in the Pa. anthracite mining district and are all set to hand the Senior Division boys a shellacking at the Church of All Nations, 9 Second Avenue, next Saturday night. There will be dancing before, after and between games.

Benge, Bush to Cards

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 6.—The St. Louis Cardinals today announced the purchase of Guy Bush from the Boston Bees and the signing of Ray Benge free agent, as additions to the Cardinals' pitching staff. Both are veteran right-handers.

Will Aid in Bringing CIO, AFL Together, Delegates Assert

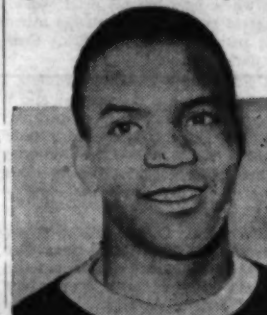
By Roy Parker

Labor sports are getting ready to go nationwide. Representatives of the Philadelphia CIO League and the Trade Union Athletic Association of New York this week-end conferred on the possibilities of establishing a

Cunningham Cops Mile, Four Marks Fall Before 17,000

Four records fell, Glenn Cunningham took the Wanamaker mile, tying the Millrose meet mark and 17,000 fans went home happy after the annual Millrose games at Madison Square Garden Saturday night.

Ben Johnson, Columbia's lightning track captain, rated the world's fastest human, was the outstanding record breaker, topping the former 60-yard dash record with an amazing burst of speed that brought him



BEN JOHNSON

over the finish line in six seconds flat, two-tenths of a second faster than the previous mark.

Spec Towns, Olympic champion from Georgia, cracked the world's 60-yard indoor hurdles record in 7.4 seconds. Other records went to the De La Salle Institute mile relay squad that ran the distance in the almost unbelievable time of 2:22.8.

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Meanwhile labor basketball is enjoying a great season in many cities, among them New York, Cleveland, Minneapolis, Detroit, St. Paul, St. Louis, Akron, and many others.

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In Philadelphia, the first move to establish labor sports as a big thing was made by the CIO, and several A. F. of L. unions have already entered teams in the basketball tournament and several more are waiting for the baseball season to begin.

The Philadelphia League was started by the CIO, arousing considerable interest among the A. F. of L. unions," Kres said.

"The organizing of a national trade union athletic association will give impetus to the growing desire for unity between the A. F. of L. and the CIO," Jack Roth declared.

"Already this united sports movement in New York City has created unity between both the leadership and the rank and file of the unions in the Trade Union A. A.," he added.

Yesterday a provisional committee was formed to guide the building of national trade union athletic sports. The committee consists of: Leo Fenster of Cleveland, Joe Kres of Philadelphia, Jack Roth, Frank Blumer and Maury Parns of New York.

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Local 40 Upsets 91 In ILGWU Contest

Although Flossie Dach did her best with sixteen points, Local 40 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, just couldn't make the grade, dropping a surprise 28-30 upset to Local 91. Butler of the winners tallied thirteen points.

In the men's game at Stuyvesant High School Saturday night, Local 102 won an easy 50-32 victory over Local 40. Weissman and Friser, with twelve and eleven points and eleven points, respectively, led the winners' scoring parade.

Court Scores

Team	Score	Team	Score
Army	48	Duke	38
Arkansas	57	C. C. U.	38
Cornell	37	Elgin	38
C. C. N. Y.	37	Union	38
E. Broadbent	29	Bloomington	38
F. and M.	38	Detroit	38
Georgia	38	Florida	38
Hartford	38	Hobart	38
John Marshall	41	C. C. N. Y.	38
La Salle	38	Franklin	38
Manhattan	48	Canfield	38
Marquette	38	W. and L.	38
M. G. State	41	St. Charles	38
Mohair T.	40	N. Y. Aggie	38
Navy	38	Columbia	38
Northwestern	38	Bradley Tech	38
Notre Dame	38	Pittsburgh	38
North Carolina	37	N. Y. U.	38
Ohio State	38	Franklin	38
Oklahoma City	38	Panhandle Aggie	38
Penn	48	Dartmouth	38
Penn State	38	Georgetown	38
Purdue	38	Indiana	38
Rutgers	48	Springfield	38
Sacramento	48	Calgate	38
Scandinavia	4	Gallatin	38
Spartan	3	W. Virginia	38
Temple	48	Wash. College	38
Vanderbilt	48	Wayne	38
Wake Forest	48	The Citadel	38
Yale	48	Williams	38

Getting in Shape



They might as well have a good time while getting in shape for the coming baseball season, is the opinion of (left to right) Umpire Red Ormsby, Phil Weintraub, Ray Schalk and Ira Hutchinson. The quartet are arguing over a decision during a softball game in a Chicago gymnasium.

LITTLE LEFTY



by del